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Arafat, Hussein meet on treaty response

AMMAN, March 17 (R) — Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) chief Yasser Arafat arrived in Jordan Saturday for talks with King Hussein on the latest Middle East political developments in the light of the projected peace treaty between Egypt and Israel.

Arafat, who arrived from Damascus by road, was greeted at the border town of Ramtha by Prime Minister Modar Badran and other senior officials.

The PLO leader was also expected to discuss bilateral relations and cooperation between his organization and Jordan and see what joint action could be taken on the Arab and on international levels to recover occupied Arab territories and restore Palestinian rights.

The talks were being held in the town of Mafraq about 70 kilometers north of Amman.

Arafat visited Mafraq for talks with the Jordanian monarch last September along with Libyan leader Moammar Qaddafi. Both men came from Damascus where they were attending a summit conference of the states which reject Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's peace initiative.

The states which form the "rejection front" are Syria, South Yemen Libya and Algeria as well as the PLO.

The duration of Arafat's visit was not disclosed but observers here noted that the meeting in Mafraq meant that Arafat would probably return to Damascus late Saturday night.

Palestine National Council (parliament-in-exile) speaker Khaled Al-Fahoum was quoted as saying that Arafat's visit to Jordan had special significance.

In an interview with the official Jordan news agency Fahoum said the situation in the Arab world necessitated the coordination of Jordan, the PLO and especially Syria and Iraq.

He said such coordination was necessary to "recover the legitimate rights of our Arab nation, preserve Arab solidarity and achieve our aspirations."

CARTER'S ADVISER : King Khaled Saturday receiving President Carter's National Security Adviser Zbignew Brzezinski who arrived in Riyadh in a bid to win support for the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

Sudan may quit Arab League unless Soviets are checked

BEIRUT, March 17 (Agencies) — Sudanese President Jaafar Numeiri said in an interview published Saturday that his country might withdraw from the Arab League if it did not stop Soviet-backed "invasion operations."

He told the weekly Paris-based magazine, "Al-Mostakbal," "certain self-styled liberation fronts" are being trained in an Arab country "to carry out invasion operations against several Arab states, including the Sudan and Saudi Arabia."

"Those who tried to invade North Yemen from South Yemen belong to these groups," he added.

Referring to the importance of the Arab League foreign ministers' meeting in Kuwait earlier this month to help resolve the Yemeni conflict, he said, "if the Kuwait conference does not succeed in... stopping the Soviet-backed invasion operations, the latest of which was South Yemen's invasion of North Yemen, we in the Sudan may be compelled to take a stand reaching the point of withdrawing from the Arab League."

Numeiri said the Soviet Union's strategy was aimed at undermining Sudan's sovereignty by deploying Cuban and Soviet soldiers on its borders.

The Sudanese president said Ethiopian head of state Lt. Col. Mengistu Haile Mariam had received Soviet orders banning him from reaching an understanding with the Sudan.

In Aden, meanwhile, it was officially announced Saturday that the two Yemens have reached an agreement for the withdrawal of their forces to positions held before the latest outbreak of fighting between them.

The South Yemen army chief of staff, Lt.-Col. Saleh Abu Bakr Husseinoon, said here the agreement was concluded during his talks in Sanaa, the North Yemeni capital, Friday.

The talks between Husseinoon and his North Yemeni counterpart, Lt.-Col. Ali Saleb Al-Shaibah, were held with the participation of the Arab League Truce Supervision Committee leader, Syrian Gen. Ibrahim Muhammad Younis, the agency added.

In a statement after the meeting, Gen. Younis said the withdrawal would start Saturday morning and would be completed by Mar. 23. The two sides also agreed to refrain from all violations of each other's air space and a cease to all air activity as soon as the withdrawal starts.

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Laotians rally against Chinese border move

HONG KONG, March 17 (Agencies) — Thousands of Laotians have staged anti-China rallies this week as tension mounts after the reported massing of Chinese troops on the Laos border.

Up to 10,000 people attended a rally in the capital, Vientiane, Saturday and earlier in the week thousands of soldiers and workers in the border province of Phong Saly vowed to stand and fight if the Chinese invaded their territory.

Thousands of troops, students and workers in Phong Saly had pledged to "strengthen unity around the party and government and to heighten vigilance, stand ready to fight and smash in time all schemes and acts of the imperialists and reactionaries."

Laos, Hanoi's close ally in Indochina, had earlier accused China of concentrating forces on its border and making armed intrusions into laotian territory.

The landlocked nation of three million people, once careful not to antagonize its giant Communist neighbor, now appears to have been increasingly drawn into the Sino-Vietnamese dispute.

The Laotian news agency also accused the Chinese of conducting military exercises in its border provinces and smuggling "spies and commandos into Laos to make subversive propaganda and sow discord.

"The Peking rulers must end their aggression against Vietnam and stop all acts of interference in the internal affairs of Laos," it said.

Hanoi's official daily "Nhan Dan" said Chinese agents in Laos were telling Laotians that "china would punish Laos on certain days," the same warning Peking gave before its major thrust into Vietnam last month.

"Nhan Dan," quoted by the Vietnam News Agency, said several Chinese divisions were massed along the Sino-Laotian border as Peking allegedly stepped up its "psychological war moves" in Laos.

"Under pressure from the enemy, the Lao people still remain calm and ready to cope with any eventuality," it said.

China announced its complete troop withdrawal from Vietnamese territory Friday, one month after its drive into the country.

As both Peking and Hanoi have yet to decide when to hold talks to settle their differences, China's relations with Laos have markedly deteriorated in the last few weeks.

But although it says it has withdrawn from Vietnam, China says it is ready to counter-attack if there are more border incidents.

Foreign Minister Huang Hua told a news conference all China's goals had been attained in the first 16 days of fighting, when they captured the cities of Lang Son, Cao Bang and Lao Can.

Since China fulfilled its promise to leave Vietnam, he said, Vietnam in turn should pull out of Cambodia.

But Vietnam announced on

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King receives Brzezinski

Syria warns of M.E. war

DAMASCUS, March 17 (Agencies) — Syria Saturday warned of a new Middle East war, as President Carter's National Security Advisor Zbigniew Brzezinski arrived in Riyadh to try and win Saudi support for the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

The official Syrian government newspaper "Tishrin" said in an editorial the signing of a separate peace treaty between Egypt and Israel "will leave no choice to the confrontation states of the Northern Front (Syria, Iraq and Jordan) but to go to war to face the results of the Egyptian-Israeli alliance."

The warning coincided with a report in the Kuwait daily newspaper "Al Siyasah" Saturday claiming that three Iraqi divisions moved to Syria in the past few days, as part of the agreement between the two states to unite militarily.

In Riyadh meanwhile, President Carter's envoy was received by King Khaled.

The meeting, held shortly after Brzezinski's arrival, was attended by Crown Prince Fahd, Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah, Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan, Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal, the King's special advisor Dr. Rasbad Pharaon and Foreign Undersecretary Sheikh Abdul Rahman Mansouri.

An earlier meeting was held between the U.S. envoy and Prince Saud attended by Sheikh Abdul Rahman and Prince Turki Al-Faisal, head of security.

The official U.S. delegation, which will also visit Egypt and Jordan, includes Warren Christopher, Deputy Secretary of State Gen. David Jones, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Chip Carter, the president's son.

Brzezinski will fly to Amman in an effort to persuade King Hussein to participate in the implementation of the limited autonomy granted to the Palestinians of the Israeli-occupied West Bank of Jordan, under the Camp David accord.

The American delegation's visit to Jordan has been preceded by the arrival in the country Saturday of Palestinian commando leader, Yasser Arafat, who predicted that Brzezinski would fail to convince Hussein to support a separate Egyptian-Israeli peace.

He also warned that the whole Middle East would explode in violence if the treaty was signed.

Saudi Arabia criticized the United States-sponsored Camp David agreement for an Egyptian-Israeli peace. It maintains this is an inadequate framework for a comprehensive Middle East settlement.

The Kingdom insists that a settlement must be based on complete Israeli withdrawal from all occupied Arab territories and recognition of the Palestinians right to a state of their own.

In a separate development a spokesman for the Egyptian Foreign Ministry Saturday denied a Syrian radio report that Saudi Arabia had warned it would impose economic sanctions against Egypt if a treaty with Israel was signed.

"Of course it is not true," said a spokesman, who declined use of his name.

The Egyptian spokesman claimed there was "no indication" of a Saudi-Egyptian rift over the signing, expected to take place in Washington as early as next week.

Egypt meanwhile was sending Defense Minister Kamal Hasan Ali to Washington Saturday to join Israeli defense chief Ezer Weizman in drafting the military annex to the peace treaty, a timetable for Israeli withdrawal from the Sinai Peninsula.

Ali also will meet U.S. Defense Secretary Harold Brown to discuss American aid for Egypt.

Weizman spelled out Israel's cash needs in a meeting with Brown on Friday. A U.S. military official said Weizman told Brown it will cost Israel between $ 3.5 billion and $ 4 billion for the Sinai withdrawal. The official, who asked not to be named, said it was "unlikely" the United States would foot the entire bill, but he emphasized that a final aid figure has not been set.

In Tel Aviv, Prime Minister Menahem Begin delayed until Monday a planned Sunday cabinet debate on the treaty. Aides said Begin was suffering a slight case of the flu, but there were reports he wanted the additional time to head off a political revolt in his own cabinet.

The National Religious Party, a key member of Begin's ruling coalition, has demanded modifications of the autonomy plan that would formally rule out creation of a Palestinian state on the West Bank. The dispute is not expected to threaten the treaty, but could undermine Begin's government and complicate future West Bank negotiations.

As preparations for signing the peace treaty continued Palestinians and Jewish students clashed Saturday in the old city of Jerusalem when the Jews attempted to enter the Holy Temple Mount, police said.

Police said one Jewish youth was mildly wounded in a scuffle between Palestinian guards and the group of about 20 students who tried to enter the site, which is forbidden to Jews.

The Temple Mount is considered one of the holiest sites in Islam. Jews are forbidden to enter the area, where the Dome of the Rock and the Al-Aqsa Mosque now stand.

One of the youths was carrying a rifle, but no shots were fired, and police dispersed the unruly crowd as soon as they arrived, according to the police.

Israel radio said shots were fired into the air, and a group of Palesti-

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Sigh of relief greets ban on Iranian trials

TEHRAN, March 17 (Agencies) — Sighs of relief rippled through this capital Saturday in reaction to Ayatollah Khomeini's decree banning further summary trials and executions until new legal guidelines could be drafted.

Khomeini, religious leader of the Islamic revolution that sent the Shah into exile last month, issued the decree Friday to save the life of former Prime Minister Amir Abbas Hoveida. The reprieve came with Hoveida's expected execution by revolutionary firing squad only hours away.

His trial on 17 charges began Thursday. The prosecution demanded the death penalty.

And in what may bring sighs of relief from oil consuming nations, the National Iranian Oil Company (NIOC) said the petroleum industry in Iran is returning to an even keel.

In a statement Saturday, NIOC said Iran has shipped 15 million barrels of oil since exports resumed March 5 after a ten-week stoppage.

NIOC said Irans output now stood at 2.5 Million barrels a day — with 700,000 barrels being set aside for domestic consumption. Production and refining are progressing satisfactorily, NIOC added.

Under the Shah, Iran reached a peak production of 6.5 million barrels a day — with around 5.7 million barrels being sold abroad, making this country the world's second-largest exporter after Saudi Arabia.

Recent Iranian sales have been on-off deliveries awarded to the highest bidder. NIOC, which Saturday began celebrating the 28th anniversary of the nationalization of Iraq's oil industry, said longterm contract deliveries would resume in the second week of the Iranian new year. The new year begins on March 21.

Komeini's banning of summary trials comes after at least 63 former officials and military leaders are known to have been executed since Feb. 12. They were tried by revolutionary courts in the provinces and in Tehran. A Qom police driver was the 63rd victim just hours before Khomeini issued his decree.

The last to be executed, Al Asghar Hadadi, driver for the Qom deputy police chief was found guilty of killing anti-Shah demonstrators.

Khomeini's decree did not set a deadline for the Islamic Revolutionary Council and courts to draw up new laws for the trials and executions. Observers believe the order was purposely left vague and

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Kuwait seeks U.N. panel to probe occupied lands

UNITED NATIONS, March 17 (Agencies) — Kuwait has formally introduced a Security Council resolution to establish a five-member commission to investigate the situation in the territories occupied by Israel since 1967, including Jerusalem.

The commission would be requested to report back by the end of May and the council would reconvene in June to take "appropriate action forthwith, including measures under the relevant provisions of the Charter of the U.N."

The draft, also sponsored by Bangladesh, Nigeria and Zambia, would have the council express its "indignation at the persistence of Israel" in carrying out policies in the territories as "the establishment of settlements and the massive expropriation of lands, water and other resources."

It would determine that all such policies and practices have no legal validity and constitute a serious obstruction to achieving a comprehensive, just and lasting peace in the Middle East.

The resolution was presented Friday as the council continued a debate, initiated last Friday at the request of Jordan, on the situation in the lands captured by Israel in the 1967 Middle East war. It is expected to be voted on early next week.

China meanwhile has urged the council to strongly condemn "Israeli Zionism" in occupied Arab lands and to back the Palestinian cause.

Ambassador Chen Chu Friday told the sixth session on Israeli occupation policy that China supported Jordan's request in the Security Council to establish a committee to conduct on-the-spot investigations of Israeli practices and to take action against Israel if necessary.

Israeli authorities, he said, had "carried out one war after another" and had made "a deliberate attempt" to change the nature of land seized in the 1967 war.

The Chinese ambassador accused Israel of destroying homes, demolishing buildings, and illegally confiscating large tracts of land in a "devastating exploitation" of Palestinians which placed them "under a rule of darkness and terror."

In a separate development, Syria has called for a United

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OIC delegation sets off on fund-raising mission

JEDDAH, March 17 (SPA) — A joint delegation of the Islamic Solidarity Fund and the Jerusalem Fund, two agencies of the Jeddah-based Organization of the Islamic Conference, left here Saturday on a fund-raising tour of North and Central African states.

The delegation is made up of representatives of Saudi Arabia, Palestine, Pakistan, Guinea, Libya and the Organization.

They are Sheikh Abbas Faeq Gbazzawi, the head of the information and public relations department of the Foreign Ministry, Ihsan Salha from the Palestine Liberation Organization, the ambassadors of Pakistan, Guinea and Libya in Saudi Arabia, and OIC Assistant Secretary General Kacem Zhiri.

The delegation visited a number of Gulf countries last summer.

The tour was initiated by the Jerusalem Committee which held its sixth session here last year and decided to allocate $ 7,597,000 for vital projects in the occupied Arab territories. A subsequent study was made on other vital projects which would require $ 400 million to support the people in occupied Palestine.

Earlier this year the Islamic conference secretariat which manages the ISF announced in Jeddah that it was considering approaching the Saudi government for an increase in its contribution from $ 5.5 million to $ 27.5 million annually.

The proposal was designed, the secretariat said, to encourage other Muslim countries to assist the fund which were facing a shortage of capital for launching projects in the occupied territories.

Saudi aid for Sri Lanka

Reuter adds: Saudi Arabia will give Sri Lanka a $ 50 million loan for the World Bank-aided Mahaveli River Basin Project, Saudi Ambassador Saleb Al-Sugair said Saturday.

The envoy Saturday handed over to President Junius Jayewardene a donation of $ 1 million for relief works in districts devastated by a cyclone last November.

Conference to coordinate technology transfer stand

By a Staff Reporter

JEDDAH, March 17 — A meeting of experts from Muslim countries opened here Saturday to discuss the transfer of technology from the developed to the developing countries.

The meeting, at the secretariat of the Organization of the Islamic Conference here, will complete a position paper to be submitted to the U.N. Conference on Sciece and Technology for Development in Vienna in August.

The paper was drafted here last January in response to a resolution of the Ninth Islamic Foreign Ministers Conference in Dakar last year and following guidelines set by the advisory council of the new Islamic Science Foundation which met here in December.

The paper will be seen by the 10th ministers conference in Rabat next month before submission to the U.N. conference.

As a regional paper, it is intended to represent a coordinated stand by the Islamic bloc to the vexed question of the transfer of technology— which many Third World countries claim is proceeding at too slow a pace.

The draft consists of chapters on science and technology for development: institutional arragements and new forms of international cooperation in the application of science and technology; activities at international level and the impact of technology on Muslim societies.

Sheikh Muhammad Salah Jamjoum of Saudi Arabia was elected chairman of the Saturday's meeting.

THE SUQ : Jeddah's bustling bazaar, which extends from King Abdul Aziz Street to Bab Mecca, is the hub of the city's commercial and [illegible]

Heart experts to brief Saudis

RIYADH, March 17 (SPA) — Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan will open a medical conference next Wednesday organized by the Armed Forces Hospital in the capital.

The delegates will present papers on the coronary artery.

According to the director of the hospital, specialists in cardiac surgery, cardiovascular treatment have been invited from the United States, West Germany, Britain and the Netherlands.

The two-day conference has been organized to keep the hospital staff in touch with recent research.

Armed forces medical teams have made history in Saudi Arabia. Last year, doctors at the hospital in Khamis Mushait successfully performed the first open heart surgery in the kingdom.

Cable of Thanks

RIYADH, March 17 (SPA) — King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd Saturday sent a cable to Health Minister Dr. Hussein Jazairi thanking him for the messages he sent at the end of the fourth session of the Arab Health Minister Conference which ended [illegible] Wednesday.

At the conference Dr. Jazairi, on behalf of Saudi Arabia, recommended that Arab countries [illegible] continue the use of vaccination certificates for cholera.

Also discussed at the conference was the possibility of medical assistance to Lebanon, [illegible] Mauritania, Djibouti and Comoros. The conference praised the aid program in Sudan [illegible] help the country deal with [illegible] the Blue Nile region.

Saudi Arabia proposed an advisory health program to help the member countries establish blood banks and organize the transportation of blood plasma.

SR240m water scheme okayed

RIYADH, March 17 (SPA) — [illegible] Saturday gave approval for a SR240 million water project at Al-Washm.

Minister of Agriculture and Water Dr. Abdul Rahman Abdul Aziz Al-Sheikh said that the integrated drilling and pipe project will be executed within 30 months. He added that the project will pipe drinking water to 10 villages in Washm, from a well field in Nofuth Al-Serr region.

Mecca to host Islam conference

MECCA, March 17 (SPA) — Minister of Pilgrimage and Endowments Sheikh Abdul Wahhab Abdul Wasi will open a three-day conference of ministers of endowments and Islamic affairs at the Mecca Intercontinental Tuesday. The Al-Aqsa Mosque, the Prophet Abraham's Mosque and other Islamic shrines in the occupied territory will be discussed, as will educating Muslims on Jerusalem and the role of the mosque in society during the Pilgrimage.

Health aid to Sanaa praised

RIYADH, March 17 (SPA) — North Yemeni Minister of Health Dr. Ahamd Al-Asbahi was quoted by "Al-Riyadh" Saturday as saying that no country bad done as much to help medical development in his country as Saudi Arabia. The Kingdom had built and furnished a 50-bed hospital in Saada and clinics in Harf Sufian, Jehana and several other towns. Work was in progress on a Saudi-funded hospital in the governorate of Al-Baidaa.

Dammam parley to study fertilize[r]

DAMMAM, March 17 (SPA) — A conference is to be held here from March 20 through March 22 to discuss technical problems of the fertilizer industry in the Gulf. The two-day conference, organized by the Saudi Arabian Fertilizers Corporation (SAFCO), will be attended by delegates representing fertilizer companies in Iraq, Kuwait, Qatar and Saudi Arabia.

Qasim governorate inspected

QASIM, March 17 (SPA) — Governor of Baha Sheikh Ibrahim ibn Ibrahim Saturday visited the headquarters of Qasim governorate. He was received on arrival by Sheikh Saad ibn Muhammad ib[n] Sultan, acting governor, senior officials and prominent personalities of the region. Sheikh Ibrahim had arrived in Bureidah last Wednesday.

Abdullah receives Omani aides

RIYADH, March 17 (SPA) — Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah Saturday received the Omani Minister of Youth and Deputy Defense Minister Sheikh Fahr ibn Taymour and their delegation. The Guard's Deputy Commander Prince Badr and his assistant Sheikh Abdul Aziz A[l-]Tuwaijeri attended the meeting.

Ulema debate meat imports

MECCA, March 17 (SPA) — The World Supreme Council of Mosques met again here Saturday to discuss imports of meat by Muslim countries.

The meeting, the council's fourth session, was chaired by Sheikh Abdul Aziz bin Baz, head of the Saudi Departments of Fatwas, Research, Religious Guidance and Propagation, and also attended by Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan, secretary general of the Muslim World League.

The council discussed the question of ensuring the slaughter of meat abroad is carried out according to Islamic rules.

The council also continued its debate on problems faced by Muslim minorities in preserving their Islamic identity.

Meanwhile, it was announced in Riyadh that Higher Education Minister Sheikh Hassan ibn Abdullah Al-Sheikh will take the place of Crown Prince Fahd at Sunday's opening of the World Assembly of Muslim Youth seminar.

Saudi scholars meet Zia to review Sharia school

ISLAMABAD, March 17 (SPA) — President Zia-ul-Haq of Pakistan Friday evening received a Saudi delegation headed by Dr. Abdullah Omar Nassif, acting rector of King Abdul Aziz University in Jeddah.

The two sides discussed Saudi assistance in the establishment of a Sharia college at the Quaid-e-Azam University in Islamabad. The talks also touched on new Islamic legislation which the Pakistan government is enforcing, members of the Saudi mission said.

The Pakistan president expressed thanks for the Kingdom's cooperation in drafting Sharia legislation as well as its continued support for Pakistan

The delegation was scheduled to meet Law Minister A.K. Brohi Saturday to review the final details of the proposed college.

The eight-member delegation arrived here Thursday night on a lengthy visit to Pakistan.

Scholar passes on prize

Meanwhile, a leading Pakistani scholar honored by the King Faisal Foundation has donated his cash prize to an organization for religious research, "Al-Riyadb" newspaper reported Saturday.

Sheikh Abu Ala Al-Mawdoodi last month received SR200,000 from the foundation for his lifelong contribution to Islamic thought. The prize was one of three to be awarded annually by the foundation, which was formed to develop the late King's estate for the service of Islam, Islamic culture and Arabic.

In Riyadh, the foundation told "Al-Riyadh" that next year's prize for religion would be awarded for research into studies of the Sunna—the Holy Prophet's conduct which is based on a codified body of Traditions (Hadith).

Bahrain aide here

RIYADH, March 17 (SPA) — Bahraini Undersecretary for Works, Electricity and Water Jamil Al-Alawi arrived here Saturday on a visit to the Kingdom that will last several days.

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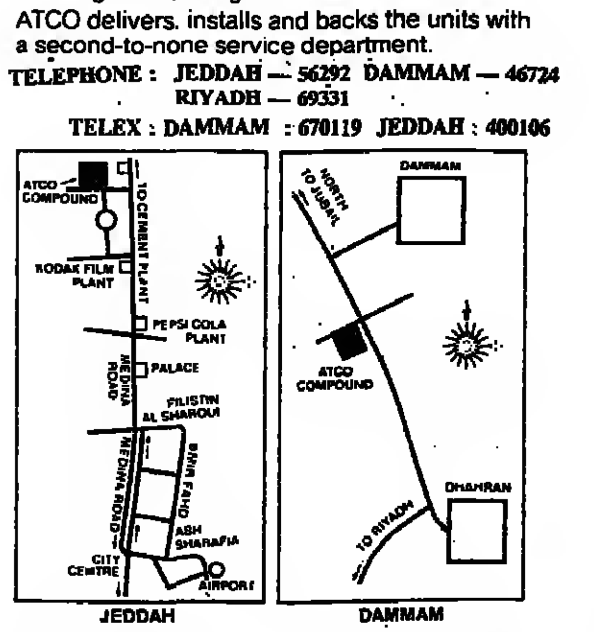

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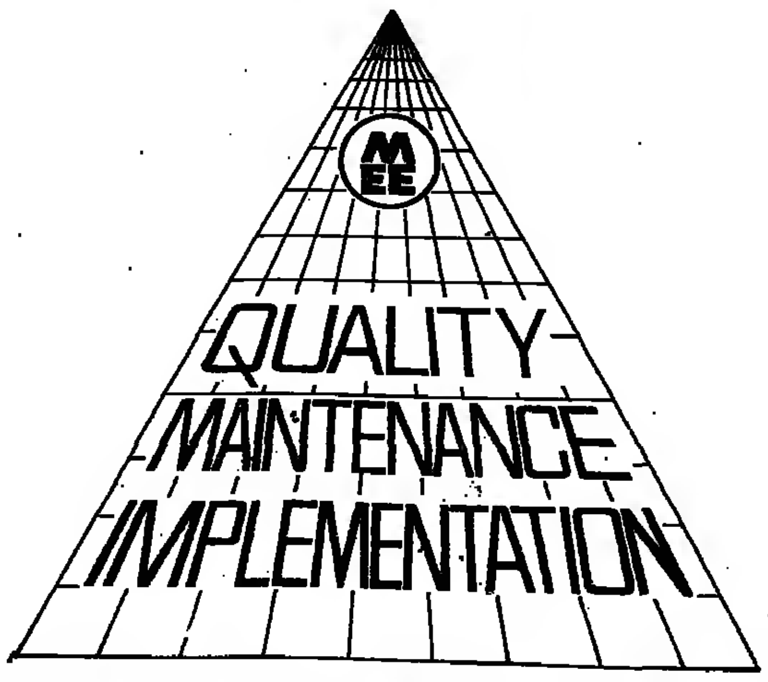

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Peace agreement reached in Chad, sources maintain

PARIS, March 17 (R) — Rival factions in the Chad civil war, which has cost hundreds of lives, have concluded a peace agreement in the northern Nigerian city nf Kano, informed sources said Saturday.

The agreement was signed Friday night between President Felix Malloum, Prime Minister Hissene Habre, a former guerrilla leader and the heads of two more armed groups involved in the complex struggle to supremacy in the former French African colony.

The other signatories were Goukouni Oueddei, chief of the National Liberation Front (Frolinat), controlling the northern region of Chad, and the commander nf the so-called Third Army, Aboubaka Abhemamane, whose forces are active in the Western part of the country.

According to the sources, the agreement provided for a general ceasefire, an amnesty for political detainees, and the release nf hostages and prisoners of war.

Nigerian peacekeeping troops already in the country will provide a neutral force to police the agreement. No other foreign troops will be involved.

The parties to the agreement will set up a provisional government of national unity until elections can be held.

Troops commanded by President Malloum, whose power base is in the south, have suffered a series of defeats at the hands nf fighters loyal to Prime Minister Habre.

The government collapsed in the capital of N'Djamena, at the height of the fighting last month, and businessmen who controlled all commerce fled to neighboring Cameroon.

French troops sent to Chad at President Malloum's request a year ago to stem a southward thrust by the Libyan-backed Frolinat kept out of the recent fighting.

About 2,000 French civilians living in Chad were evacuated soon after fighting started in N'Djamena on Feb. 12 between Habre's forces and Malloum's regular troops.

In a radio interview Saturday, French Cooperation Minister Robert Galley was asked whether the 2,580 French troops would be withdrawn if an African peace force took nver in Chad.

The minister replied that the French would never stay in a country if they were asked to leave.

" Our dearest wish is that peace should return after the terrible trials that Chad has had to endure, " he said.

CAIRO : Mrs. Sadat, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, Rosalynn Carter and U.S. President Jimmy Carter in front of Sphinx and a Pyramid March 10 when Carter was on a visit to Egypt for talks with Sadat on a peace treaty between Egypt and Israel.

Haig mission said unsuccessful

Carter urges peace on Greece, Turkey

ATHENS, March 17 (Agencies) — President Jimmy Carter has sent messages to Greece and Turkey calling on them to settle their differences and resume their full roles in the Atlantic Alliance, the government here says.

But a parallel initiative by NATO Forces Chief Gen. Alexander Haig apparently ended unsuccessfully in Ankara.

Sources said the U.S. Embassy in Athens notified the State Department that Greece would react strongly if Turkey were to resume exploration for oil in the disputed Aegean Sea. A similar action in 1976 drove the two countries to the brink of war.

The government said Carter sent similar messages last week to Greek Premier Cnnstantine Karamanlis and his Turkish counterpart, Bulent Ecevit, in which hopes were expressed for a successful nutcome of the negotiations over Greece's return to the integral NATO command.

Greece partially withdrew from NATO'a military wing in 1974 in protest over tbe Western Alliance's failure to stop Turkey from invading Cyprus.

Greece and NATO had agreed on a " special relationship " formula for Greece's reinstatement, but Turkey has vetoed this, demanding first a settlement of nperational control nver the Aegean, where Athens claims full control as it had before 1974.

Haig discussed the dispute in Ankara last week but failed to change the Turkish stand and left without coming to Athens, the sources said.

Greek armed forces chief Gen. Ioannis Dawos, just back from an nfficial visit to the United States, also refused to compromise on the Greek stand, according to which Greek-Turkish Aegean differences should be negotiated after Greece has been fully reinstated in the alliance.

And in Washington, the Senate was urged Friday to increase the administration's proposed economic aid to Turkey from $ 98 million to $ 200 million, and to make it a grant instead of a loan.

Proposing the grant, Sen. John Tower, (R-Tex.) a senior member on the Armed Services Cnmmittee, said it was urgent that the United States take a strong initiative toward restoring Turkey's economic vitality and military strength.

He also said that the unpaid balance of Turkey's military sales debt to the United States, totaling $ 437 million last September, should be " forgiven. "

Tower, who visited Turkey last month during a six-nation NATO tour, was testifying to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which is considering the administration's foreign aid program for the financial year starting Oct. 1.

151 Polisario guerrillas killed, Morocco declares

RABAT, March 17 (R) — Polisario guerrillas lost 151 dead and 21 Moroccan troops were killed in a day-long battle in the Western Sahara on Monday, the Moroccan Information Ministry has said.

In a communique giving the final casualty toll, the ministry said Friday the Moroccan army intercepted four " Katibas " — units of about 100 men — of the Algerian-backed Polisario Front, which is fighting for an independent Western Saharan state.

The battle took place at Tigui Ramy Alban, south of Smara, the ministry said.

The Moroccans said they destroyed 32 lorries, nine jeeps and fite 25 MM cannon, and captured two cannon, 24 rifles, four 30 MM machine guns and several crates of ammunition.

Moroccan losses were 21 dead, 51 wounded, eight missing and seven jeeps destroyed, the communique said.

No mention was made of Polisario wounded.

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Man gets life in jail for killing Col. Naif

LONDON, March 17 (R) — A inman bas been jailed for life for irdering former Iraqi Prime inister Col. Abdul Razak Alaif in London last July.

But an Iraqi government offi-l, Saadi Abdul Rahman Alukri, was aquitted of the charge.

The gunman, Salem Ahmad ssan, 26, had changed his plea guilty during the trial and was eged to have told police his 44-ar-old victim, who was hriefly aq's premier in 1968, was a aitor to the Palestinian cause.

After hearing the sentence Fri-y at London's Old Bailey crimi-l court, the killer raised bis fist d shouted a curse in Arabic.

Naif was shot dead by Hassan as walked to a taxi outside the Intercontinental Hotel in London on July 9.

The prosecution had alleged Shukri, 40, had signalled the target to Hassan by shaking hands with the colonel moments before he was killed.

But Sbukri told the court he knew nothing of Hassan's mission hut had come to London to deliver a parcel to a millionaire who had invited him to meet the former premier. He said he met Hassan innocently on the plane from Baghdad.

The jury nf five women and seven men took just under five-and-a-half hours to reach their verdict at the end of the two-week trial.

Pakistan court reserves Bhutto appeal judgment

ISLAMABAD, March 17 gencies) — The Supreme Court Pakistan Saturday reserved lgment, on the petition of posed Prime Minister Zulfikar Bhutto for review of possible al errors in the verdict convict-him on murder-conspiracy arges.

The court's Feb. 6 verdict con-med Bbutto's death sentence hy our-three majority on charges at he nrdered the killing of a litical opponent in 1974.

The Supreme Court set no date rannouncement of its judgement the petition for a regular iew. If admitted for a regular aring, the petition could take veral weeks, if not months.

Bhutto is in Rawalpindi Central il awaiting the court'a decision. the petition is rejected, he will t several more weeks to file a quest for executive reprieve and emency with the president, Gen. uhammad Zia-ul-Haq.

The court still has to decide hether the three judges who went ainst the 4-3 majority judgement the appeal can continue to hold nut in favor of Bhutto or must now stand aside.

State Prosecutor Ejaz Batalvi has told the three dissenting judges they must adopt a passive role when the court considers its ruling. He argued that there was no precedent for a minority npinion in a review petition.

But Judge Safdar Shah retorted that it would be illogical for the three judges to sit like dummies.

The court is likely to reserve its judgement on Bhutto'a petition for a week or two.

Turkey raises gasoline price

ANKARA, March 17 (R) — Turkgy, deep in debt and facing its worst fuel crisis, has almost doubled the prices of gasoline, diesel and all other oil products.

The price rises, announced Friday, were part of a austerity program by Premier Bulent Ecevit'a Social Democratic government to slash Turkey's external debts, balance nf payments deficit and 60 per cent inflation rate.

Alleged Libyan kidnap plot aired

LONDON, March 17 (AP) — A bizarre plot to kidnap former Libyan Premier Mahmoud Maghribi and smuggle him from London to his homeland was alleged Friday at the Old Bailey, the central criminal court. Maghribi is regarded as a political opponent of Col. Muammar Qaddafi of Libya, said Prosecutor Kenneth Richardson, who alleged that if the kidnap plot proved impossible Maghribi was to be murdered.

South Lebanon shooting reported

METULLAH, Israel, March 17 (R) — Leftist Lebanese and Palestinian forces exchanged fire with rightist militias in southern Lebanon north of Metullah overnight and Saturday, residents said.

Leftists clash in West Beirut

BEIRUT, March 17 (R) — Several civilians were wounded Friday when two Lebanese left- wing groups fought out a gunbattle on a busy avenue in West Beirut, the Syrian-dominated Arab League Deterrent Force (ADF) said. ADF troops surrounded the warring factions on Corniche Mazra'a and arrested tbree gunmen to halt the clash, an ADF communique said.

Hungarian premier off to Kuwait

BUDAPEST, March 17 (AP) — Hungarian Prime Minister Cyoergy Lazar Saturday left Hungary fnr Kuwait where he is slated to start an official visit, discussing economic cooperation. He was invited by Kuwaiti Prime Minister, Crown Prince Saad Al-Abdullah Al-Salem Al-Sabah.

Prince Hassan to visit Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR, March 17 (AP) — Crown Prince Hassan of Jordan will make a four-day official visit to Malaysia from March 29, a government annoucment said Saturday.

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Government 's role in question

Botha to name scandal investigator

CAPE TOWN, March 17 (R) — Prime Minister Pieter Botha has announced that a special official similar to the prosecotor who investigated Washington's Watergate affair would be appointed to study the government's alleged role in the information scandal now shaking South Africa.

The prime minister also said Friday an arrest warrant had been issued for former Informatioo Service chief Eschel Rhoodie, key figure in the affair involving alleged misuse of millions of rand.

Rhoodie, now a fugitive somewhere in Europe, has recently implicated the entire cabinet as backing secret slusb fund projects aimed at improving South Africa's international standing.

Botha told parliament he would appoint an advocate-general "to investigate and evaluate the political culpability of the government."

The prime minister said that in addition a commission of inquiry headed by Judge Rudolf Erasmus had been ordered to present its findings to the goveroment by the end of the month.

It has been sitting for four months and its sensational interim report in December suggested possible criminal charges against Rhoodie.

All the commission's evidence except that affecting the security of the state and its relations with other countries would be published, Botha said.

In the meantime its terms of refereoce had also been extended to cover investigation of the government's political culpability.

This will be the main task of the advocate-general.

New legislation would be enacted to allow for his appointment, Botha said.

Earlier findings by the Erasmus committee implicated Rhoodie, Cabinet Minister Connie Mulder — who was forced to resign — and retired State Security chief Hendrik van den Bergh as organizers of the slush fund.

Botha, who promised a clean government wheo he took over as the country's leader last year, has consistently denied he had any knowledge of the now defunct Information Department's secret work.

Paris: President Valery Giscard d'Estaing and Foreign Minister Jean Francois-Poncet open the recent European summit at the International Conference center of Paris. (AP photo)

Vance said rescuer of talks on Namibia

UNITED NATIONS March 17. (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance is reported to have cleared a major obstacle to multi-party talks on Namibian independence.

Diplomats, who declined to be identified, said Vance had intervened Friday to settle last-minute objections raised Thursday by South African Foreign Minister Ruloef Botha.

The foreign ministers' talks, scheduled to be held at the U.S. Missiou to the United Nations next Monday and Tuesday, are aimed at getting Namibian independence from Sonth Africa back onto the basis of U.N.-supervised elections.

Secretary General Kurt Waldheim last month proposed that South Africa and its chief opponent, the South-West Africa People's Organization, agree to a cease-fire on March 15, permitting the U.N. operation to get underway that day.

The cease-fire fell througb when South Africa objected to provisions for SWAPO hases to be established in Namibia.

Next week's talks are an attempt to overcome this and any other differences growing out of an agreement of last August on which the U.N. plan is based.

The invitation to the talks was issued by the five Western countries — Britain, Canada, France, West Germany apd the United States — which worked out the original agreement between South Africa and SWAPO.

Those invited, in addition to SWAPO and Botha were the foreign ministers of Angola, Zambia, Botswana, Mozambique and Nigeria.

The talks were called for by the five Western nations on the U.N. Security Council. They represeot the latest effort to get the stalemated U.N. plan for monitored elections and independence in South-West Africa moving again.

The plan broke down earlier this month over South Africa's objectiouns to "new interpretations" of last April's agreement, allowing for SWAPO bases inside South-West Africa and not providing for monitoring of guerrilla bases in neighboring Angola and Zambia.

These two issues, as well as SWAPO's objections to the announced members of the U.N. Transition Assistance Gronp, were expected to be discussed at Monday's meeting.

HOOPER: A carefully staged devastation of a town occurs in the movie Hooper, starring Burt Reynolds. A chimney comes tumbling down, fire breaks out and panic strikes the community when a massive explosion is set off. The movie tells the story of an aging stuntman in Hollywood. Some Critics have called it a classic study of a neglected aspect of the film industry. Burt Reynolds started out his career as a stuntman. The scene of the explosion is one of the most expensive episodes of the movie.

Accuse rich of bad faith

Poor nations scoff at sea talks

GENEVA, March 17 (AP) — Criticizing the way rich nations enact national laws governing deep sea mineral mining, representatives of developiog states announced here they will seek an early end to the six-year-old U.N. sea law talks.

They warned they would take measures against investors and companies trying to mine the mineral-rich deeps of international waters on the strength of national legislation.

Moves to enact such legislation in advance of an international agreement on seabed mining do not "conform to accepted ethical standards of parties to international negotiations," said a statement from Third World countries.

Enactment would thus be "illegal, undoubtedly poison the atmosphere of the talks and would most probably lead to a breakdown of the conference," said the statement, distributed by Ambassador Satya Nanda of Fiji to reporters.

Nanda is chairman of the bloc of developing states in the negotiations underway since 1973 which resume here Monday after a five-month recess.

Nanda said the "Group of 77," as the bloc is called, has decided the sea law talks could be concluded by the end of the year. He said the feeling is a treaty text that could be decided in straight voting if necessary and signed in Caracas next spring.

The voting procedure would end a gentlement's agreement among the original 58 participating states to settle all issues unanimously and resort to voting only when all other attempts have failed.

Nanda said preparation for legislatioo oo seabed mining in the United States, West Germany and other countries in advance of a treaty violates the principle that the wealth of the sea beyond national borders is the " common heritage of mankind. "

He said that principle was adopted by the U.N. General Assembly as a guide to the sea law talks, with the approval of all member states, including the U.S.

and the other maritime nations now seeking to establish mineral regulations.

Nanda said if the maritime states enact their own plans before the talks are concluded, the Group of 77 will also ask for a special meeting of the General Assembly.

The six-week-old talks have made no headway in the attempt to draw up a universal convention covering all legal aspects of the world's seas and their wealth.

One tacit agreement is that coastal states would bave a 12-mile limit for their territorial sea and exclusive economic exploitation rights in coastal waters 200 miles from shore.

While there is no treaty on this, many conotries have declared 200-mile offsbore limits and are already enforcing their rights over these waters.

Hijack bid to Havana prevented in Arizona

TUCSON, March 17 (AP) — man demanding $ 200,000 a transportation to Havana hijack a Continental Airlines Boeing 7 jetliner on a flight from Phoenix Tucsoo Friday, the airline sai Authorities said he was taken in custody about two hours later the airport and no one was hurt

" He is under arrest and nobo was harmed, " said FBI age Jim Yellington in Phoenix.

When the plane had landed Tucson International Airpor everyone but a female flight atte dant and the hijacker got o according to Continental spoke man Jack Gregory in Los Angele

The flight attendant, identifie as Mary Elen Paul of Los Angele was later freed unharmed.

The plane had carried 89 pa sengers.

Gregory said an FBI agent hi boarded the plane at the airpor

A reporter at the airport said saw a man in ao orange vest sta on the roof of a police car at t nose of the plane and pull hims up through the cockpit window.

There were reports the hijack was armed with a knife, but Con nental said it could not confir that.

Passengers described th hijacker as tall, in his 50s a wearing a gray business suit. Th said he bad boarded the flight Los Angeles, where it originated

FBI agents were lying unde neath the tail of the plane attem ting to negotiate with the hijacker

A reporter for the " Tucs Citizen " said the pilot and c pilot fled through the cockpit wi dows.

The plane, flight 62, was boun for Miami.

One of the passengers, Richa Paul, 38, of Los Angeles, a tele sion actor, said that while the pla was between Phoenix and Tucs the pilot came on the intercom a asked all passengers to get off Tucson.

" His voice was shaking, " Pa said, " That bothered me. always bothers me when the ma in charge has a shaking voice. "

House Committee reports

RFK suspected Hoffa in JFK killing

WASHINGTON March 17, (AP) — Immediately after the 1963 murder of President John F. Kennedy, his brother Robert suspected that union leader Jimmy Hoffa might have been involved, according to a draft of the House of Representatives Assassinations Committee's final report.

"The committee learned that Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy and White House Chief of Staff Kenneth O'Donnell contacted several associates about the possibility of Teamsters Union or organized crime involvement," the draft report said.

Hoffa was head of the Teamsters Union of truck drivers at the time.

But House investigators have no direct evidence that either Hoffa or two reputed mob bosses conspired to assassinate the president, according to the draft material released Friday.

Robert Kennedy, campaigning for the Democratic presidential nomination, was himself slain at a Los Angeles hotel in June 1968. Sirhan Sirhan, a Palestinian immigrant, is serving a life term for the slaying.

Hoffa disappeared on July 30, 1975 and has not been seen since. Deputy Attorney General Benjamio Civiletti said in January that the investigation of Hoffa's disappearence was still "very much open."

Under the president and Robert Kennedy, the Justice Department had succeeded in sending Hoffa to jail on conviction of jury tampering.

The draft report said both Kennedys knew that Hoffa in 1962 had talked about assassinating Robert Kennedy — in much the same way that John Kennedy was murdered the following year.

It said that in a tape recorded conversation, Hoffa had boasted to then-Teamsters associate Edward Partin that Robert Kennedy could be shot in a convertible somewhere in the south by a lone rifleman using a telescopic sight. Partin subsequently became a government informer.

But the report also said, "While the similarities are present, the committee notes they are not so unusual as to point inelnctably in a particular direction."

The report drew no conclusion on whether Hoffa might have been involved in a conspiracy to assassioate the president.

In a preliminary report released Dec. 30, the assassination committee concluded that it would not rule out conspiracies involving individual organized crime figures or Cuban exiles.

Io the material released Friday, two acoustics experts stood by their assertion that odds are better than 95 per cent that a second gunman fired at Kennedy on Nov. 22, 1963.

Several of the 11 committee members have said they disagree with that conclusion, even though the acoustics finding contributed in large part to the panel's earlier assertion that Kennedy "probably" was the victim of a conspiracy.

In the draft of the final report, the two experts, Mark Weiss and Ernest Acshkenasy, emphasized that the 95 per cent likelihood of a second gunman also means there is approximately a 5 per cent chance that the suspected gunshot sound unaccounted for earlier, was only a motorcycle backfire or some other noise.

Moscow asks for Menten to be extradited

MOSCOW , March 17 (AP) — The Soviet Union has demanded that Holland extradite millionaire Pieter Menten for trial for alleged war crimes, Tass said.

A note preseoted to the Dutch Embassy in Moscow said, " Soviet investigating bodies have conducted an investigation of the crimes committed by Menten in the years of the World War II in the temporarily occupied territory of the USSR.

" It was established that in 1941 he took part in mass executions of civilians, including women, old people and children. "

" Evidence of Menten's crimes was handed over to Dutch judicial authorities in the form of provision of juridical assistance. "

The Dutch Embassy confirmed it was handed the Soviet demand.

A similar request by Israel has been turned down.

Menten, 79, was convicted of war crimes in Holland and sentenced to 15 years in jail in 1977, but that conviction was set aside on legal grounds in 1978.

He was released last December by a court in the Hague that was to have re-tried him.

" Although about three years have passed since criminal proceedings were started against Menten, he is still free. " Tass said.

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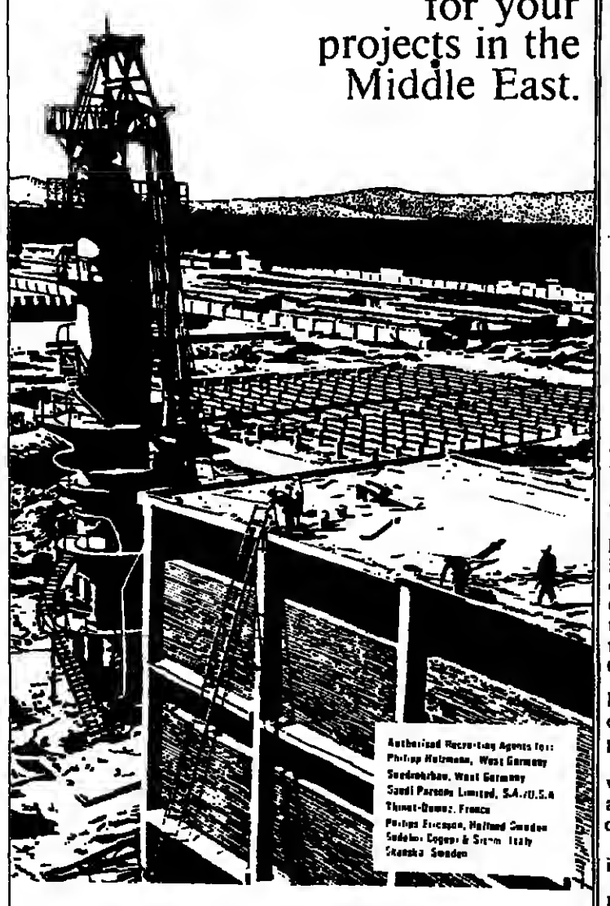

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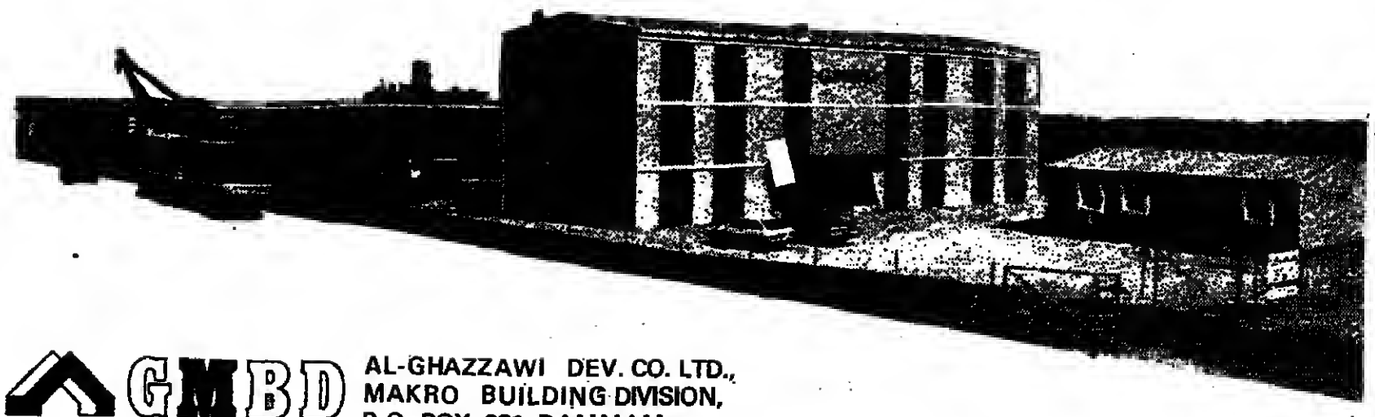

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Torpedoes Spinks bout

Knoetze visa ban is upheld by court

FORT LAUDERDALE, Florida, March 17 (AP) — U.S. District Judge Norman Roettger Friday upheld the State Department's revocation of the visa of controversial South African boxer Gallie Knoetze.

Roettger, in denying Knoetze's petition for a permanent injunction against the revocation, said Knoetze's attorneys were unable to prove that " impermissible political interference " resulted in the revocation.

The State Department said it revoked Knoetze's visa because he was convicted in South Africa of an offense that would be a felony here. Although attorneys debated whether it was serious enough to be felony under U.S. law, Roettger bypassed the issue in his decision. He said Knoetze could pursue it through the immigration appeals process.

The ruling has apparently voided Knoetze's planned bout with Leon Spinks.

" Obviously Knoezte cannot fight in the United States and obviously until it is cleared up, he would not be acceptable to television, " promoter Bob Arum said in New York.

Arum was planning television rights between Knoetze and Spinks and Gerrie Coetzee of South Africa and John Tate with the winners meeting to replace Muhammad Ali as World Boxing Association champion on Ali's retirement.

" The whole tournament has to be shelved, " said Arum.

The State Department revoked the 26-year-old boxer's visa only days before his Jan. 13 heavyweight bout against Bill Sharkey of New York. But Roettger had issued his first of several delays in the matter and allowed the fight in Miami Beach to go on as scheduled.

Knoetze, the World Boxing Association's second-ranked heavyweight knocked out Sharkey in the fourth round as more than 100 protesters marched and chanted outside the Miami Beach Convention Center.

Attorneys for the boxer argued in court that the State Department revoked the visa under pressure from civil rights leader Jesse Jackson, who called the white boxer a symbol of South African apartheid.

State Department officials denied any White House pressure, but acknowledged that they met Jackson and that he kept up a steady volley of telephone calls.

Jackson publicized an incident in which Knoetze, working as a Pretoria policeman, shot a black youth in the legs during a demonstration in 1977.

During early arguments over the visa revocation, Roettger said a South African inquiry showed Knoetze, who is white, fired at the ground and that the bullet ricocheted and hit the rioter. Knoetze was cleared of any wrongdoing. So was the black.

In another case, Knoetze was fined $ 350 for obstructing justice in South Africa, a misdemeanor there which the State Department said was equal to a felony under U.S. law. Knoetze's attorneys said the offense didn't reach the moral turpitude standard used in determining whether such an offense would be a felony.

In a 30-minute appearance on the first day of the three-session trial, Knoetze said he was " only trying to help my friend " when he asked two youths and their parents to drop assault charges against fellow policeman and sometime-sparring partner David Bosch.

ANGER : Rodney Hogg, absent from the S. Australia bowling line-up Saturday, knocks down his wicket in disgust after being given out for the second time during Australia's disastrous Test defeat by Pakistan last week.

Zaheer, Haroon shock Adelaide in 195 stand

ADELAIDE, March 17 (AP) — Pakistan batsmen Zaheer Abbas and Haroon Rashid thrilled a small crowd at the Adelaide Oval here Saturday with a magnificent exhibition of strokeplay on the first day of the match against South Australia.

The pair figured in a fourth-wicket partnership of 195 in only 184 minutes, after coming together with the score at 100 for three.

Their stand was chiefly responsible for Pakistan's total of 327 for four at the close of play.

Zaheer made a fine 126 and Haroon finished the day unbeaten on 100.

It was the first time this season 300 runs bad been scored in a day at the Adelaide Oval.

South Australian Captain Bob Blewett's gamble in sending Pakistan in to bat looked like paying off when Pakistan openers Mudassar Nazar and Talat Ali made only 19 and 17, but then Javed Miandad, in a partnership with Zaheer, bammered the bowling.

Zaheer took full advantage of a life he had when only one.

Bewett dropped a relatively easy chance at first slip when the total was 34 for one.

Zaheer and Javed put on 62 in even time for the third wicket, Javed being the dominant partner with a blistering 43.

Blewett caught Javed from the bowling of leg-spinner Peter Sleep, who had suffered great punishment during the stand.

Laird stiffens WSC Aussies

PORT-OF-SPAIN, Trinidad, March 17 (AP) — Bruce Laird, a diminutive 26-year-old opening batsman from Western Australia, defied the West Indies bowlers for five and a half hours in making a dogged 110 not out, lifting Australia from a disastrous 32 for five to 204 for seven on the first day of the third World Series Cricket Supertest Friday in Trinidad.

Laird has struggled to make runs in the first two matches of the series and faced a difficult situation at the start of his innings. The pitch favored the fast bowlers and Mike Holding, generating pace and bounce, took four of the first five wickets in a spell of nine overs before lunch.

Bnt Laird remained, benefited from a dropped catch by West-Indies captain Clive Lloyd at slip when he was 12 and revived the Australian fortunes with help from Rodney Marsh, with 34, Ray Bright, 15, and Dennis Lillee, 14 not ont.

McEnroe, Vilas lead Davis Cup attacks

Chile, Argentina level 1st singles

BUENOS AIRES, March 17 (AP) — Guillermo Vilas, playing here for the first time in 18 months, gave Argentina the lead in the South American Zone Davis Cup tennis finals Friday, but Chile evened the series, 1-1, on a victory by Hans Gildemeister.

Vilas defeated a tiring Jaime Fillol 7-5, 6-2, 6-2, and Gildemeister came from behind in the final set to beat Argentina's Jose Luis Clerc, 6-1, 2-6, 6-3, 7-5 as darkness was about to suspend play at the Buenos Aires Lawn Tennis Club.

Chile planned to rest its top two players and pit Belous Prajoux and Patricio Cornejo against Vilas and Clerc in Saturday's crucial doubles contest, but the lineups were subject to change until half and hour before match time.

The winner of the best-of-five series plays the winner of the North American Zone Final between Colombia and the United States in the 1979 Davis Cup playoffs. Chile is the defending South American Zone champion.

Vilas, who has been touring outside Argentina since his 1977 U.S. Open victory, said the speed of the clay court and Fillol's strong serves caught him off guard. He came back from 3-5 to even the first set at 7-7, broke the Chilean's serve to go ahead and held his own to win

Fillol tired in the second and third sets and blew easy shots, enabling Vilas to win easily although he was below top form.

REHABILATED : Ilie Nastase returns to Davis Cup after year in disgrace

Nastase returns to favor, powers Romania forward

LONDON, March 17 (R) — Ilie Nastase returned to Davis Cup tennis action Friday with an emphatic victory for Romania in a European Zone Section B tie against Belgium in Brussels.

Nastase, barred from last season's competition after misbehaving in a match against Britain in 1977, crushed Belgian national champion Bernard Boileau, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2, to give Romania a 2-0 lead after the opening singles.

Gavril Marcu won the first match, beating Thierry Stevaux, 6-2, 6-3, 7-5.

There was action in eight European Zone third-round ties Friday with Israel producing the most surprising performance by holding West Germany, 1-1, after the first day of a Section B tie in Augsburg.

Yugoslavia fought back to 2-1 down against Switzerland in Zurich when Marko Ostoja and Zoltan Ilin won a 64-game doubles against Markus Guenthardt and Serge Gramegna. The Yugoslavs won, 12-10, 3-6, 5-7, 6-3, 7-5.

Spain goes ahead

BARCELONA, March 17 (AP) — Spain took an insurmountable 3-0 lead over the Soviet Union in their third round European Zone " A " Davis Cup confrontation Saturday.

In a lacklustre match the Spanish pair of Manuel Orantes and Jose Higueras defeated Alexander Metreveli and Vadim Borisov, 7-5, 6-2, 6-0 at after Spain won the two single matches Friday.

U.S. launches defense of title

CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 17 (AP) — The United States' John McEnroe beat Columbia's Elvior Betancur, 6-2, 6-1, 6-1 and Dick Stockton overpowered Ivan Molisa, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4 to launch the U.S. team's defense of its Davis Cup in the North American zone finals.

The United States could wrap up the best-of-five series in Saturday's doubles competition, when McEnroe and Peter Fleming, 20, meet Molina and orlando Agudelo.

McEnroe, who is ranked in the top five players in the world, knocked off the 27-year-old Betancur in a match that took only 61 minutes. Betancur held his serve to win the opening game, but after that it was all McEnroe. The left-handed McEnroe broke Betancur's serve in the third and fifth games.

Betancur held his serve in the seventh game but was unable to break McEnroe's smashing serve on the fast-surfaced Cleveland Skating Club court and McEnroe wrapped it up with a love game to end the set.

Betancur, Columbia's third-ranked player, subbed for Jairo Velasco, who was sidelined by an ear ailment.

Stockton, 27, won the first game at love, then broke Molinas serve in a game that went to deuce four times.

Molina, using well-placed backhand lobs, was able to hold his serve in the fourth and fifth games, but Stockton broke his serve again in the eighth game to carry the set.

In the first game of the third set Molina, a left-hander, blew a 40-love advantage. Stockton broke Mulina's serve several times to carry the game to deuce, then took an advantage on a serveless break. But Molina saved the game with backhand lobs out of stockton's reach.

Stockton said Molina " doesn't have an overpowering serve, and I was able to take more chances on his serve. "

He said the ball was " coming away from me because he is a left-hander, but I was meeting the ball well. "

Barker overwhelms Evert in Boston baseline battle

BOSTON, March 17 (AP) — Unseeded Sue Barker of England toppled top-seed Chris Evert in a decisive haseline-to-baseline battle, 6-3, 6-1, and Virginia Wade battled back to defeat Greer Stevens in Friday night's quarterfinals of the $ 150,000 women's tennis championship at Walter Brown Arena.

Wade's 6-4, 7-6 come-from-behind win won her the right to face Barker in the semifinals.

After falling behind 0-2, Barker began to capitalize on Evert's ragged play. The 22-year-old Barker from Paignton, England launched a barrage of baseline and angle shots that gained her six of the final seven games.

Refusing to rush the net, Barker stayed hack at the baseline and slugged it out with Evert, beating her at her own game.

The strategy and Barker's wide array of ground strokes allowed Evert to hold service in only the second game of the final set.

Wade, of England, battled back in both sets and lasted through a 20-point tie breaker to topple Stevens.

Wade, 33, had to recover from a 1-4 deficit in the opening set and a 2-0 score in the second. She battled through four set-point threats to win the tiebreaker and the match after losing five match-point opportunities to the 22-year-old Stevens of South Africa.

Stevens came back, gaining eight of the first 10 points in the second set for a 2-0 lead. But Wade answered with superb ground strokes and tough net play that produced hreaks in the fourth and eighth games and a 5-3 lead.

She was forced to six deuces by the aggressive Stevens who gained an eventual hreak-back. Each held and forced the set to the tiebreaker sequence. Stevens gained an early 3-2 point lead before Wade tied it 5-5. The two then traded points until Wade launched took the final two points.

Flawless round

Kratzert beats winds for Doral lead

MIAMI, March 17 (AP) — Bill Kratzert, playing almost errorless golf in howling winds, fired three-under-par 69 and moved into the second-round lead Friday in the $ 250,000 Doral-Eastern Open.

Kratzert, who hasn't made a bogey in the tournament so far, finished two trips over the 7,065-yard Blue Monster Course at the Doral Country Club in 136, eight shots under par.

Jack Nicklaus, meanwhile, developed a kink in his back and hustled off in search of doctor after poting a 74. His 141 total was just good enough to make the cut tor the last two rounds.

Kratzert, considered one of the more promising young players on the tour, fought 25 mph winds and was in danger of making a bogey only once. A 30-foot putt solved that problem.

One shot off the pace at 137 was Alan Tapie, the first-round leader, who dropped a 25-foot birdie putt on his final hole for a 71.

In San Diego, Pat Bradley, who had four hirdies in a six-hole span, fired a five-under-par 67 Friday to take sole possession of the lead midway through a $ 150,000 Ladies Professional Golf Association tournament.

Bradley's 67, coupled with a 71 in Thursday's opening round, gave her a 36-hole score of 138, over the 6,212-yard, par-72 Rancho Bernardo Country Clublayout, and a two-stroke advantage over first-round co-leader Vivian Brownlee, who settled for an even-par 72 on Friday.

British soccer

LONDON, March 17 (AP) — English League soccer results Friday :

Division Three

Southend	5	Swindon	3
Swansea	3	Gillingham	1
Tranmere	2	Exter	2

Division Four

Newport	2	Northampton	1
Reading	0	Scunthrope	1

America's best ski racer survives a bitter break

By Bob Lochner

SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, Calif. — It was a beautiful day for getting a suntan, and Phil Mahre took full advantage of it, peeling down to a T-shirt and propping himself up on a haybale. On the steep slope in front of him, red and blue flags dotted the snow, and every minute or so, a skier came twisting through them to cheers of the crowd.

If Mahre regretted that he wasn't one of those twisting figures, he didn't show it. The only discouraging word was " cast, " the one propped on the baybale that everyone was trying to avoid bumping.

Last Monday morning, America's best ski racer had left his hospital bed, coming with his coach, Hank Tauber, and his doctor, Dick Steadman, to Heavenly Valley, where the World Cup men's Giant Slalom was held.

Until breaking his ankle eight days before, Mahre had figured to provide most of the excitement in this race. Instead, he was a spectator as Ingemar Stenmark of Sweden won his ninth straight Giant Slalom but lost his World Cup championship to Peter Leuscher of Switzerland.

If it was any consolation to Mahre, he held onto second place in the standings, which is where he wound up last season. His thoughts now are on the future.

" I'm going to pick everything np and take off again next season, just where we left off, " he said without the slightest trace of doubt in his voice.

MAHRE : Skiing to victory in his last major race before the bone-breack the Giant Slalom at Copper Mountain, Colo, in February.

Dr. J. Richard Steadman, chairman of the U.S. ski team's Alpine Medical Group, wbo operated on Mahre last Tuesday, qualified his optimism. " Phil's break was one of the more severe skiing injuries I've seen, " he said. " But surgery went as well as it could go. He has already begun his rehabilitation and he's a determined young man. If it can work out, it will. "

The best, in this case, would be a return to snow training by August and complete recovery by the 1980 Winter Olympics next February at Lake Placid, N.Y.

The Olympics are where just about everybody who knew Phil and his twin hrother, Steven, back home around White Pass, Wash., figured they'd wind up some day.

" Since they were 10, " Phil's mother said, " both boys seemed to he far ahead of the other young racers in th northwest. "

The Mahre twins, now 22, have been pushing each other to faster times all their lives.

" All of the children raced, " the mother said. " There's not much else to do when you grow up at a ski resort. "

It was not the forst time Phil had broken a bone.

I broke my right leg in 1975, in a avalanche, " he said. " Then I hroke it again in almost the same spot on a playground slide nine months later. I've also shattered my wrist and fractured several ribs. "

This time, it was the left ankle, which now has a small plate and seven screws in it to help the healing. " Phil will he able to ski with the screws in, " Dr. Steadman said.

Nearly 6 feet tall, Phil is big for a ski racer. They tend to average around 5-foot-8 to 5-foot-10. He has the build of a football player, usually tousled hair, and more often than not a smile — even with a hroken ankle.

Phil said it was a dangerous combination of gates on the course at Lake Placid that caused the accident. " I came in too low, tried to recover, but the gate was positioned in such a way that I caught my ski on it, fell forward and twisted around. The World Cup officials should do something about this type of gate combination before next season. It shouldn't he used. It's too dangerous. " (LAT).

U.S. skater improves

VIENNA, March 17 (AP) — American figure skater Linda Fratianne led the field in the short program Friday and closed in behind her old rival and champion Anette Poetzsch of East Germany in the chase for the world title.

Stenmark ties record

FURANO, Japan, March 17 (AP) — Ingemar Stenmark of Sweden, slashing neatly through the gates like a precision craftsman, won the men's Slalom Saturday and tied the record for most World Cup ski victories in one season—12. His time was 1:48:14.

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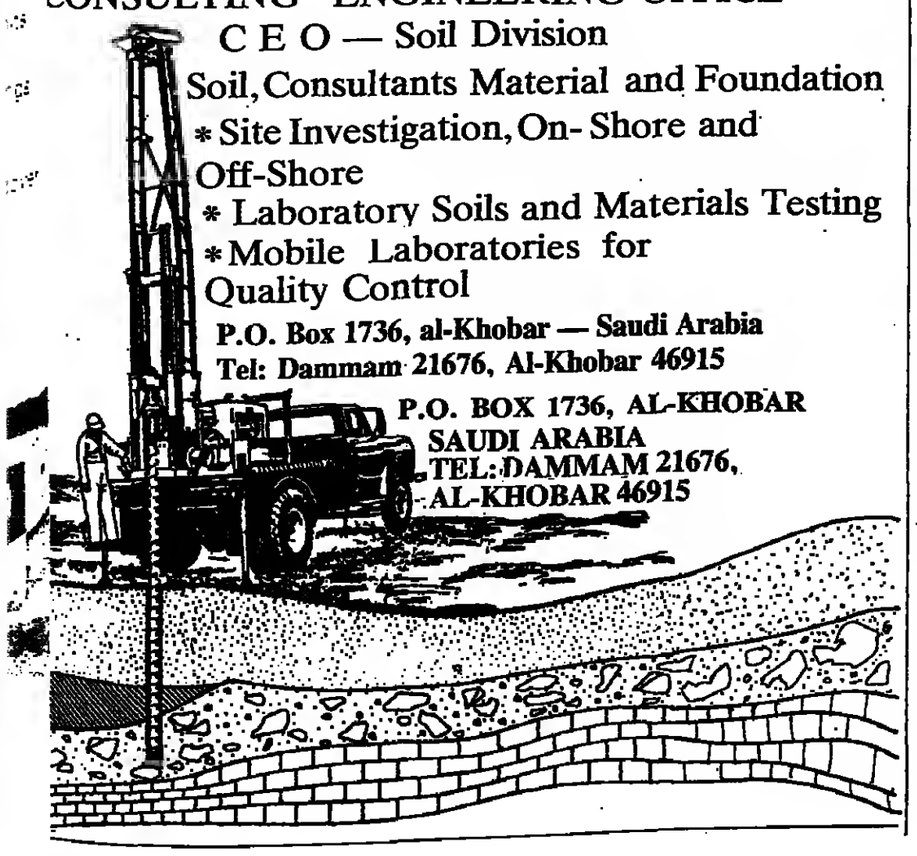

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GLOBAL STRATEGY

Now that the Carter administration has apparently persuaded Egypt and Israel to sign a peace treaty, the American president and his advisors are turning their attention to Jordan and Saudi Arabia, two countries whose support the United States feels is essential to the "success" of the treaty. A "high-level delegation" of U.S. officials has been dispatched to Riyadh and Amman in an effort to win Saudi and Jordanian backing for the proposed treaty, which most observers believe will be signed within a few weeks. It is expected that the delegation — which includes National Security Advisor Brzezinski, Deputy Secretary of State Christopher, and chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Jones — will try to apply the same pressure tactics to Saudi Arabia and Jordan that Mr. Carter used on Israel and Egypt during his recent Middle East peace shuttle. These tactics involve the following U.S. argument: The greatest threat to the Middle East and the oil-rich Gulf at present is Soviet expansionism, and it is crucial to put aside Arab-Israeli and inter-Arab differences over the peace process and join forces in a regional alliance under the American security umbrella to counter Soviet moves aimed at the Gulf oilfields.

Regrettably, this argument, while it contains elements of truth, also involves oversimplifications, naive assumptions, and potentially perilous consequences. While Saudi and Jordanian leaders certainly sympathize with Mr. Carter's concerns over Soviet expansionism — indeed Saudi Arabia was one of the first countries to alert the United States to Soviet moves in this region — it would be a dangerous mistake for the White House to assume that the Palestinian question and other key Middle East issues can be swept under the rug in the rush to counter Russian gains in the area. In fact, the present course of the Carter peace initiative — with its emphasis on a separate Egyptian-Israeli peace and its neglect of the Palestinian question — seems destined to lead to a radicalization of the Arab world and open the door to further Soviet gains in the region. The U.S. seems determined to ignore the core issues of the Middle East conflict and instead devote its energies to creating an American strategic security umbrella ultimately designed to keep the Gulf oilfields out of Communist hands. Ironically, this course of action may produce the very state of affairs it is seeking to avoid.

Mr. Carter has apparently won President Sadat's support for the treaty with Israel by raising the specter of Soviet expansionism, by promising Egypt large amounts of aid and by assuring the Egyptian leader that he will personally work for a just solution to the Palestinian problem. The flaw in this last pledge is obvious. If President Carter was unable to persuade Israel to accept a definite timetable for Palestinian autonomy prior to the signing of an Egyptian-Israeli treaty, how is it possible to do so afterwards? When the treaty is signed, Israel will have achieved its principal aim, the neutralization of the Egyptian front in the event of a future Arab-Israeli war. The Jewish state will be under little pressure to recognize the Palestinians' right to self-determination. Menahem Begin will happily consent to the election of a powerless puppet council to preside over the West Bank and Gaza. The Israeli prime minister will never agree to substantive demands that would give the Palestinian council the power to truly govern the occupied territories and prepare for eventual full self-determination.

The American delegation now visiting Saudi Arabia and Jordan should give serious thought to these realities. Mr. Brzezinski and his colleagues must come to realize that Arabs have national interests just like the Americans do. And Arabs cannot be expected to sacrifice these interests to satisfy the foreign policy aims of one superpower or another. The Arab states are not pawns in some global chess game. That era has long since passed.

Iranian minorities

By Martin Woollacott

TEHRAN —

Iranian Arabs, whose territory includes nearly all the oil wells that form the nation's principal source of wealth, have joined the fight for regional autonomy. This development, expected ever since the revolution opened the door to demands for self-government by the country's ethnic minorities, adds a delicate and dangerous dimension to what is already called the problem of separatism.

At a demonstration in Ahadan attended by a reported 10,000 people, leaders of the Arabs of Khuzestan last week announced a series of demands very similar to those put forward by the Kurds, the Baluchis and the Turkish-speaking Azerbaijanis.

According to Iranian newspapers, the list included a greater share of the oil revenue from Khuzestan, priority for Arabs in local administrative and military appointments, and the teaching of Arabic as the first language in the schools. The Arabs also asked for representation in the central cabinet.

The Arabic-speaking people of the southwestern province of Kuzibstan constituted a majority of the local population when oil was first discovered and exploited. Since then, other Iranians, mainly from the dominant Farsi-speaking ethnic group, have flooded in and the Arabs probably no longer constitute a majority, although no reliable statistics are available. However, they are at the very least a sizeable minority.

The Arab tribes of the area were semi-independent until Reza Shah established control and have never been happy under the Tehran government. In the sixties, encouraged by Iraq, there was a movement for the liberation of what was called "Arabestan" from Iranian control. However, it never presented a major problem to the old Iranian authority and was destroyed when Iran and Iraq settled their differences in 1975. Another minor liberation movement has also operated calling for autonomy rather than independence.

Although the Arabs have been one of the least active ethnic minority in Iraq, they are crucial to the federal question, simply because they sit on top of the oil.

It has been clear from the moment the revolutionaries took over, that all demands for autonomy were being weighed in the light of the problem of continued control of the oil area, the key to power and prosperity in Iran. (G)

"PERSONALLY, GENERAL, I'VE ALWAYS HAD QUESTIONS ABOUT A LAND WAR IN ASIA"

Vietnam: Who learnt a lesson?

By Mark Frankland

LONDON —

The Chinese leaders sent their troops into Vietnam, they said, to teach the Vietnamese a lesson. Now they have reportedly withdrawn their troops so presumably they believe that lesson has been taught.

The Vietnamese, of course, do not agree and as far as the military engagements of this curious war are concerned they may be right. The Chinese, it is generally agreed, did not succeed in drawing into battle more than a fraction of the regular Vietnamese divisions that guard Hanoi and the Red River Delta. Nor did the Vietnamese have to shift troops from Cambodia, which would have helped the Pol Pot guerrillas that China supports.

This is not to say that the Chinese attack was halted by second-rate troops. Vietnamese regional forces can be very good, especially in defense. This was shown time and again in the old Vietnam war even by Saigon's local forces.

Still, the operation has left the impression of a rusty Chinese military machine. The Vietnamese, with a cunning show of chivalry, declared that they would not harass the Chinese while they withdraw, although an army moving backwards is a very tempting target.

It is unlikely, however, that such deficiencies that did show up in the Chinese army came as much surprise to the Chinese leadership. They seem to be well aware of the problems caused by lack of combat experience (the Chinese army has not fought since the Korean war) and out-of-date equipment. From this point of view the incursion into Vietnam was a chance for China's generals to learn some useful lessons.

But although Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-ping remarked that it was time to destroy the myth of Vietnamese invincibility, the Chinese invasion was as much a demonstration of political will as military strength. And this is why it will take some time to see who has learnt what lesson.

In one sense the Chinese did to the Vietnamese what any great power does to a small neighbour which, in the great power's eyes, has got out of control.

Consider what the Vietnamese have done to annoy China. They are trying to establish themselves as the dominant influence throughout Indochina. This has meant engineering the overthrow of a Chinese-backed regime in Cambodia, and diminishing Chinese influence in Laos, a shrimp of a country which is not only traditionally friendly to China but shares a land border with it.

The Vietnamese have not only joined the camp of China's chief rival, the Soviet Union. They have even signed a defense treaty with the Russians. One only has to think of the close watch Moscow keeps on events in Finland, or the less successful American attempts to interfere in Castro's Cuba, to see that Chinese displeasure with the Vietnamese fits into the conventional pattern of Great Power behavior.

Neither the Russians nor Americans, the Chinese might argue, would have tolerated a Vietnam on their borders.

The Chinese cannot expect the Vietnamese to dump the Soviet Union and rush into an alliance with them instead. But they can expect the Vietnamese to loosen a bit their links with the Soviet Union. Some people believe that the Vietnamese were hesitant both about entering Comecon (East Europe's version of the Common Market) and signing, late last year, a friendship treaty with Moscow.

The Vietnamese are now coming close to total dependence on the Soviet bloc and that goes against Vietnam's traditional policy of independence, for which in the last 30 years, so many Vietnamese have died.

So perhaps China is pushing on a door that is not entirely closed. Even with its troops out of Vietnam the Chinese can still cause Hanoi trouble. It can force the Vietnamese to spend money on border defenses. It can supply the Pol Pot guerrillas in Cambodia (and apparently already is doing so) which will make Vietnam's support of the new Cambodian regime an expensive business. Even the new Phnom Penh regime's own broadcasts give the impression of a country dissolving into disorder.

Laos, too, is another place where China can put pressure on Vietnam. The Laotians, very aware of their weakness, have always tried to be friends with all their bigger neighbors but recently the Vietnamese have been dragging more and more anti-Chinese statements out of them.

It would be the easiest thing in the world for the Chinese to help the mountain tribes of Laos fight a guerrilla war against the 30,000-40,000 Vietnamese now stationed in Laos. Significantly, China has just accused Vietnam of establishing "a complete military occupation and strict political control under the cover of aid" in Laos and also of annexing "vast areas of Laotian territory."

So the price to Vietnam, already suffering under severe economic difficulties at home, of continuing all-out defiance of China could become very high. The lesson of the invasion was that China is serious about exacting that price. —(OFNS)

Peace and the presidency

By Martin Schram

CAIRO —

It began as an uncertain presidential shuttle and it ended in a tour de force.

At 5:05 p.m., an hour and a half later than expected, Presidents Carter and Sadat strode out of the pavilion of Cairo International Airport, between the tall marbled columns and down the red carpet to the microphone.

Just 18 hours earlier, back in Jerusalem, Carter's advisers had been decidedly down as they talked about how no compromise seemed in sight and the prospect of failure seemed clear. Now Carter looked somber, even grim, and certainly exhausted as he approached the microphone.

Carter gestured for Sadat to speak first. Sadat gestured for Carter to speak first. Then Carter spoke, his face showing strain and not elation. But his words made it clear that his unprecedented attempt at shuttle summitry had achieved the results few of his own advisers had even dared to hope for when they left Washington.

"I am convinced that now we have defined all the main ingredients of a peace treaty between Egypt and Israel which will be the cornerstone of a comprehensive settlement in the Middle East," he said.

Then he turned and left, pausing only for the obligatory anthems. Fifteen minutes after he had walked out the pavilion door, Air Force One was roaring into the sky. He came, he said his piece, he left. And in his wake there was only a stunned silence — not even a silver bullet was left behind.

On the ground, Anwar Sadat was not talking. He, too, was grim and he was turning his back on the cameras and making for his helicopter. There in the baricaded bullpen, on this day that just might be one of the most significant in the history of the Middle East, there was quiet — no cheers, no shouts — and finally there was the sound of reporters interviewing each other, for there was one left to talk to and the moment seemed too important to be left in silence.

Jimmy Carter had broken all of the conventions and traditions of diplomacy. The rules of the game say the top leaders never venture onto foreign soil unless they know just what is going to happen. They leave the messiness of negotiating, the give-and-take and the infighting and bluffing, to the technicians.

Sen. Jacob Javits, (R-N.Y.), had wished Carter well just before he left Washington, but he could not help adding that he assumed Carter had a Mideast peace agreement all tied down because if he did not he was "Crazy" for going.

The president and his men kept saying that things were in no way tied down — in fact, there were no strings attached at all, they said.

So Carter broke convention and tradition, doing it in a way none of his predecessors had done — and he accomplished something none of them ever had. He got the Israeli leader and the Egyptian leader to agree to the same terms of the same treaty of peace.

Just a month ago, Anwar Sadat would not even utter the notion of a separate treaty and Menahem Begin recoiled from even the slightest suggestion of "autonomy" for Palestinians in the occupied areas.

Perhaps it can still fall apart. The Knesset in Israel can turn against Begin and his cabinet. The treaty language could be rejected or revised. But that is not what American officials expect. Even if it all does fall, the accomplishment of Jimmy Carter in American view is now established as a personal success — and if peace becomes reality, it will go down as one of the true diplomatic triumphs.

For Jimmy Carter, it comes at a much appreciated time. He has plummeted in the polls at home and he is rated a 2-to-1 loser among those of his own party when he is put up against Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.

The rap on Carter has been that he was not a leader and was not competent. But by doing his diplomacy in his own way he may well have reversed that public opinion slide and carved a special place for himself.

Monday night, in Jerusalem, American officials were doubtful that a compromise could be reached. But then, after Carte[r] had decided to end his shuttl[e] summit and return to Washingto[n] after a quick airport briefing fo[r] Sadat, Israeli Foreign Ministe[r] Moshe Dayan telephoned Secret[ary] of State Cyrus Vance.

The two men discussed the issue and then met, from 9:15 to 10:3[0] p.m. for what was described as a "Informal Chat."

Tuesday morning Carter an[d] Begin breakfasted alone from 8:3[0] to 10 A.M. and they discusse[d] compromise language that ha[d] been worked out by the America[n] side, which was still looking fo[r] something that would be accep[t]able to both Israel and Egypt. A[t] 10 a.m. and they discussed com[]promise language that had bee[n] worked out by the American sid[e] which was still looking for som[e]thing that would be acceptable [to] both Israel and Egypt. At 10 a.m. Vance, Dayan, and presidenti[al] adviser Zhigniew Brzezins[ki] entered the president's suite at th[e] King David Hotel in Jerusalem a[nd] met with Carter and Begin f[or] almost an hour.

Begin agreed there to submit t[he] American compromise propos[al] to his cabinet.

Monday night in Jerusalem, t[he] Carter officials had faced the e[nd] of the shuttle summitry wi[th] downcast expectations. It look[ed] as if there could be no comprom[ise].

Perhaps their words added the pressure that moved Israel, a[nd] then Egypt, to come to term[s]. Perhaps not. But Jody Powell sa[id] he meant to give good guidan[ce] when he reported on Mond[ay] night's sessions, and not to m[is]lead.

"Any time you think you can better getting the news without a help from me, you are welcome [to] it," he told reporters Tuesd[ay]. "But I did the best I could to g[ive] an accurate portrayal of the sit[ua]tion last night and I think [that] description would be."

The deed was done. And Tu[es]day night, in a hastily assemb[led] press room in a Cairo hotel, [the] same Carter men who had been downcast Monday night w[ere] backslapping and joking. Pea[ce] and perhaps the presidency, w[ere] at hand. —(WP)

'Intrusive' techniques

By Bernard Nossiter

WASHINGTON —

A proposal giving U.S. intelligence agencies limited power to spy electronically on any American abroad is being drafted for U.S. National Security Council consideration.

The proposed new rule came to light in an American Civil Liberties Union letter charging that it "even would undermine the already far too permissive standards" in President Carter's January 1978 executive order to control the intelligence community.

Justice Department aides are drafting the proposed intelligence legislation for consideration by the NSC's special coordinating committee.

The ACLU expressed its protest in a five-page, single-spaced letter from director John H.F. Shattuck to Attorney General Griffin Bell.

Bell and his aides declined to comment because the criticized proposal is a tentative draft that has not yet received either the approval of the NSC panel or of President Carter.

U.S. administration officials have been engaged in a tortuous exercise to write a code of behaviour governing spy agencies at home and abroad. With the Senate Intelligence Committee, they hope to complete a legislative charter spelling out what the FBI, CIA, National Security Agency and others can and cannot do. Their task is to reconcile agency demands for information with the liberties guaranteed by the Bill of Rights.

The charter draft that drew the ACLU fire would enable the agencies to bug, wiretap, break in and use other techniques to gain information regarded as vital from Americans abroad who have committed no crime. The spy unit would first have to get an approving order from a judge.

Thus the test to permit these "intrusive" techniques would depend on the importance of the information and not on the conduct of the citizen spied upon. In contrast, current legislation permitting electronic spying on Americans at home requires a judicial finding that the target is an "agent of a foreign power" who is engaged in activity that may involve a federal crime.

An administration offic[ial] offered this justification for [the] proposed departure: An Am[eri]can abroad, acting lawfully, mi[ght] interview the defense minister [of a] nation on the edge of war [and] learn something neither d[ip]lomats, journalists nor the non[...] run of spies would pick up. [The] lawful American might declin[e to] tell U.S. officials what he kno[ws] so they want the power to eav[esdrop on] his story anyway.

The ACLU protested t[hat] wholly innocent American[s] could be targeted." For[mer] Attorney General Ramsey Cl[ark] could have had his Paris h[otel] room bugged when he met Aya[tol]lah Khomeini. Congressm[en] abroad "could be subjected [to] intrusive electronic surveillanc[e]," the ACLU said. The c[ivil] libertarians said they fear that [the] rule even could be stretched [to] cover Americans at home.

A U.S. government official s[aid] that stringent standards for information sought would be w[rit]ten into any proposed legislati[on]. In addition, high officials wo[uld] have to certify in writing the [nature] of the information bef[ore] judicial permission was sought [for] the technique. —(WP)

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"Ayatollah Khomeini of Iran has done well by halting further executions which have become a feature of news coming out of Iran," "Al-Nadwa" said.

"Although it might have been natural to expect certain excesses in the atmosphere in which the country lived recently, what has happened has exceeded the limit.

"The result was black vengeance and bloodshed on a large scale in a drive to settle old scores. Islam is based on forgiveness and tolerance which give every offender a chance to repent and turn a new leaf to participate in the construction of the country in the light of Islamic precepts. The application of Islamic Sharia law does not start with punishments in every square. There should first be an Islamic atmosphere and a plan to inculcate the teachings of the religion before punishing people for crimes committed where these teachings were not applied."

The paper added: "We are anxious to see the Muslim people of Iran march towards their goal unbridled by the excesses of the revolution, its violence, sham trials and bloodshed. Islam is justice forgiveness and goodwill."

In another commentry, "Al-Nadwa" reaffirmed Saudi Arabia's stand with regard to the Middle East question.

"The aim of Saudi Arabia is a just and lasting peace. But this cannot be achieved without a just solution of the Palestinian problem, including Jerusalem, the creation of a Palestinian homeland and the liberation of all occupied Arab lands. Anything less will not bring peace," the paper said.

Reaffirming the Kingdom's policy with regard to the Middle East question, "Al-Bilad" said the government "adheres to its principles and has no wish to dictate its policy to anybody."

"It simply declares this policy as its own approach without attempting to interfere in the internal affairs of others, as it will not allow others to interfere in its own affairs. But it is hoped that the Arab states would be able to take a collective view of the situation and the needs to handle it."

"Al-Jezirah" said "the collapse of the Central Treaty Organization is sufficient evidence that any other pact in the Middle East will also disintegrate. This is because such pacts do not serve the interests of the region but those of the imperialists. Cento was created to form a buffer against the Soviet Union and the spread of Communism.

"Cento was at first weakened when Iraq withdrew from it following the revolution. It received its second blow when Pakistan withdrew from it 1971 after its war with India. Because of Cento, the Soviet Union helped India against Pakistan while the West, and particularly the United States, refused to help their ally.

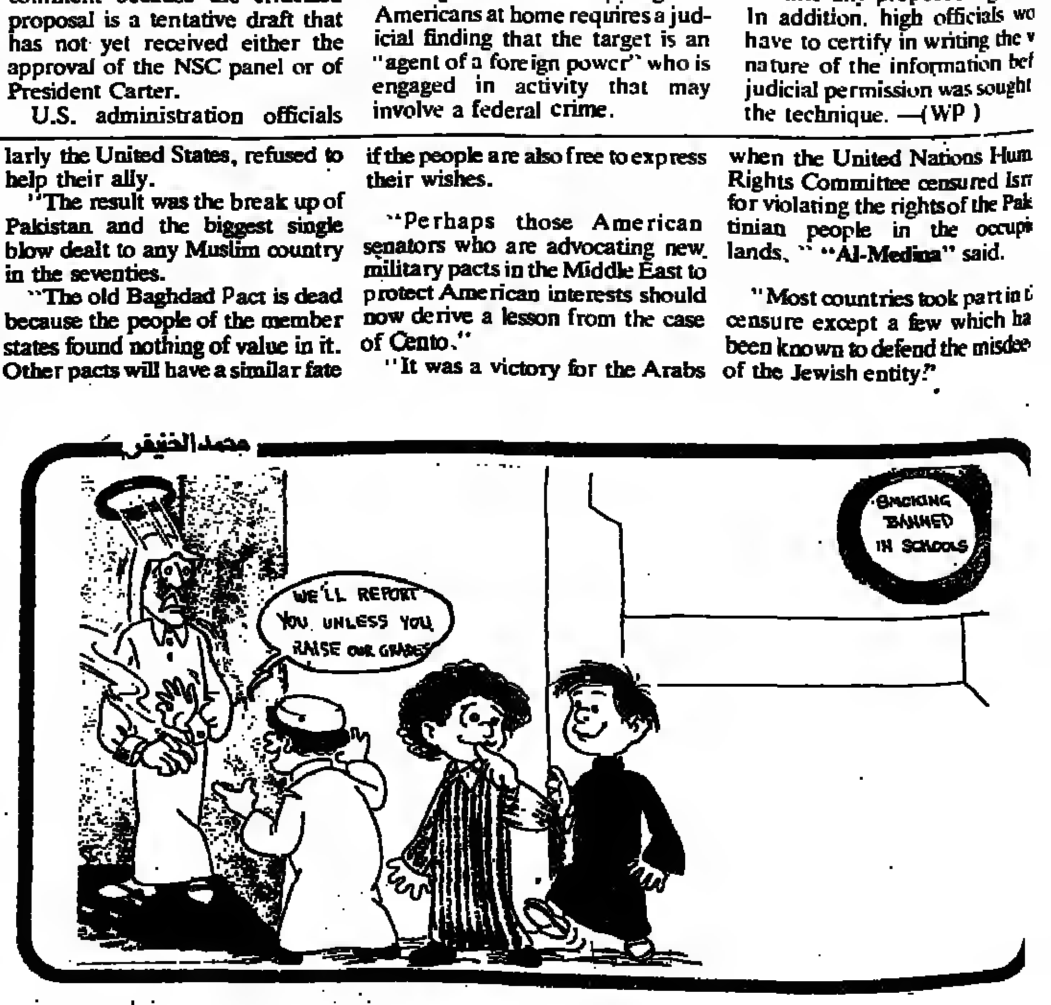
"The result was the break up of Pakistan and the biggest single blow dealt to any Muslim country in the seventies.

"The old Baghdad Pact is dead because the people of the member states found nothing of value in it. Other pacts will have a similar fate if the people are also free to express their wishes.

"Perhaps those American senators who are advocating new military pacts in the Middle East to protect American interests should now derive a lesson from the case of Cento."

"It was a victory for the Arabs when the United Nations Hum[an] Rights Committee censured Isr[ael] for violating the rights of the Pal[es]tinian people in the occupi[ed] lands," "Al-Medina" said.

"Most countries took part in t[he] censure except a few which ha[ve] been known to defend the misde[eds] of the Jewish entity."



Casual clothes from crazy California

LOS ANGELES — Venice Beach is a Bohemian area where fashion — of a sort — rules, and the rules are whatever one likes. From left to right: actress-model Felicia Langin strolls beachside in a beret, fox fur coat and Gucci bag; street performer Jingles does his thing after spending the week "looking like a Wall Street broker"; MimeVirginia Lantry strolls the area in cocktail hat, baggy pants and roller skates; mountain climber Bill Feiges sports ventilated shorts over sweat pants, turtleneck shirt and track shoes. (Photos by Ivy Ney, LAT)

'Old Mr. Einstein' recalled in Princeton

By Richard D. Smith

PRINCETON — He was perhaps the greatest theorist of all time, enjoyed playing the violin and was a good shot with a squirt gun. He accurately foretold the findings of today's astrophysics a half-century before technology could catch up with his insights, and he had trouble at times finding his front door.

Albert Einstein is being lauded throughout the world on the centennial of his birth (March 14, 1879) as the giant of theoretical physics, a possessor of true genius, author, philosopher, humanitarian. But in this New Jersey community where he spent his last decades, an additional affection is expressed for Einstein the man — his warmth, kindness, child-like sense of play, even his frequent absent-mindedness.

Amid the outpouring of praise for the late Nobel Prize winner, friends often note that praise was one thing Einstein enduringly hesitated to accept during his life, although he bore his fame patiently.

"He was the most humble, genuinely humble, man you could possibly meet," one acquaintance says.

In 1933, as the political situation worsened in Germany, Einstein settledin this academically oriented town. He acquired a modest residence on quiet Mercer Street with his stepdaughter Margot and secretary Helen Dukas, who still lives there, and his wife Elsa (who died in 1936).

It was one mile to his office at the Institute for Advanced Studies, where his "professorship" allowed him to continue his work. Einstein walked the distance every day in good weather and was soon encountered by other users of the tree-shaded thoroughfares — the neighbourhood children.

Various youngsters befriended "old Mr. Einstein" (or vice versa) during his latter years. One boy met him punctually at 4 p.m. on Einstein's return walk, traded jokes with him and was often taken home to view the scientist's chemistry equipment while Einstein sat with a pad of paper on his knee and "wrote funny numbers." Before his death on April 18, 1955, Einstein was pursuing a unified field theory encompassing gravity, magnetism and atomic energy.

Two other boys discovered that the founder of the special theory of relativity possessed considerable prowess with a water pistol. Each summer they would provide themselves and Einstein with squirt guns. He was a good shot both in pace and turn dueling and in cowboy-style straight draw.

Several stories persist about Einstein's helping children with their arithmetic homework, but these are probably apocryphal. He turned down one such request with the gentle explanation that it would not be fair.

In Princeton, with its numerous amateur musicians, Einstein is much associated with his violin. He enjoyed playing on weekends with associates from the Institute for Advanced Studies, or as part of local amateur chamber ensembles.

Always mannerly and considerate when receiving visitors, he simply tolerated many social forms. Once, while patiently sitting through a long after-dinner speech, he whispered to a friend, "I think I have a new difinition of infinity." His grooming was casual, even careless, and now legend — bushy, untrimmed hair and mustache, worn sweaters and baggy pants made him a local character.

A theorist, Einstein did no empirical research, but worked out experiments and formulations in his mind. Intense concentration on abstract problems sometimes yielded, however, unexpected and unpublishable results.

One day, while walking along lost in thought, Einstein came upon an open street-construction trench and tumbled in. Local photographer Alan Richards happened by and snapped the picture.

Einstein emerged from the hole, unhurt but mortified. He begged Richards not to print the photo, and Richards replied by handing Einstein his film on the spot. For years afterward Einstein was the subject of many informal, but more complimentary, portraits by the photographer.

George Olsen, of nearby Belle Mead, N.J., recalls that Einstein's front door was painted red to aid the scientist in finding his way home. "He was ending up in everyone else's house on the street," says Olsen, who came in contact with the professor in the course of several second jobs Olsen worked while bringing up his family.

Olsen was doing routine maintenance on the Einsteins' oil furnace one afternoon while the physicist was also in basement, cheerfully working on a sculpture in stone. "I think it was supposed to be *Franklin Roosevelt*," Olsen says. He noticed Einstein's tools. "He was using chisels that were real dime-store quality. I didn't know how he was making a dent in that granite, but he was."

Meanwhile, Margot Einstein, with characteristic old-world hospitality, brought the visiting worker a glass of lemonade.

Yet despite a reputation as the quintessential absentminded professor, Einstein was hardly out of touch with the realities, often grim, of the academic and political world.

Psychologist Hadley Cantril, who lived a few doors away on Mercer Street, once demonstrated a model of his now-famous trapezoidal room for Einstein. The physicist grasped at once the psychological and philosophical import of the perceptual illusions caused by the seemingly square interior.

Cantril remarked that he was frustrated by the refusal of fellow psychologists to take his findings seriously. Einstein comforted Cantril by noting, "I have learned, don't waste time trying to convince your colleagues."

Albert (Tad) Cantril, the late psychologist's son, remembers how Einstein disdained, sometimes with vehemence, attempts to venerate him. Tad's mother had wished that her young son and daughter might each have an autographed book as a memento of their great neighbor. So she called at Einstein's home and spoke with his secretary.

"She was right in the middle of explaining her visit to Miss Dukas," Cantril says, "and was talking about Einstein's being a great man when he came downstairs."

Hearing the conversation, at that juncture, the usually patient and gentle Einstein exploded in anger. "This is what breeds Hitlers and Stalins."

At that moment a visiting colleague of Einstein's interceded and asked Mrs. Cantril to leave the books. She departed, "feeling about two inches high," but Einstein did autograph the volumes and return them.

Knowing how he felt about adulation causes many of his friends and former neighbors in Princeton to ponder how Einstein would react to certain of the centennial commemorations, such as the giant-scale Einstein statue planned for the National Academy of Sciences.

One occasion when he did not receive adulation, or even any notice, serves to reveal human nature and the place of a man like Albert Einstein in the events of everyday life.

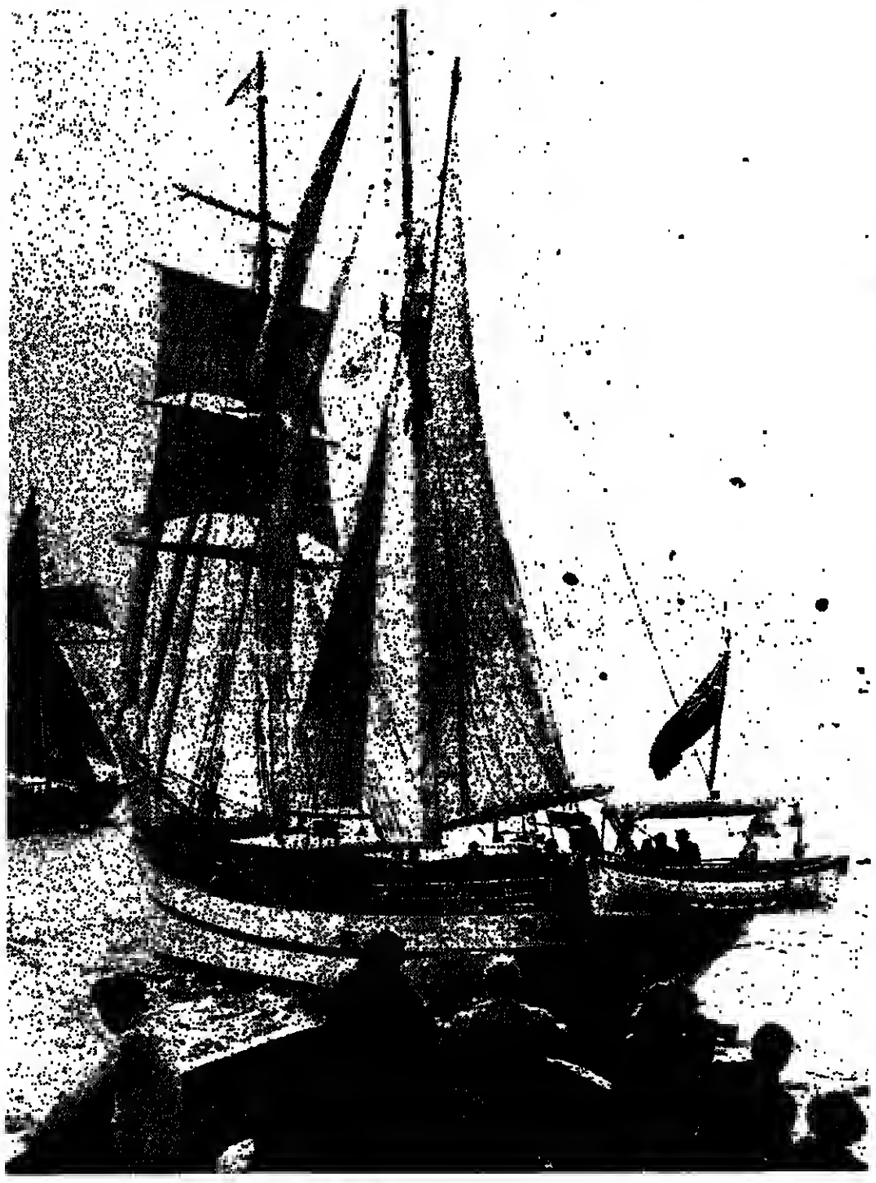
George Olsen remembers working many evenings as an usher at the Princetonlayhouse movie theater when Einstein and his stepdaughter attended the shows. One night, standing in the lobby while the film played, Olsen noticed an expectant crowd gathering outside.

"I thought they were coming to see Albert Einstein and give him a big reception," he recalls. "Then the movie let out. Einstein and his daughter came out, and nobody said boo to them. They walked away, and I don't think anybody noticed him."

The mystery was explained moments later when pop singer Johnnie Ray, visiting in town that night, emerged from the theater to a frenzy of screams.

While the individual who gave humanity monumental insights into the nature of the universe and time disappeared down the street, the crowd flocked around its star of the moment.

Had Albert Einstein been aware of the scene he was leaving behind, he would no doubt have smiled gently. —(WP)



AROUND THE WORLD: The British brigantine "Eye of the Wind," which recently set sail for a round-the-world cruise. The crew is made up of young volunteer Britons.

Italy's disco fashion politics

By Marylou Luther

LOS ANGELES — It all started, she says, when the international edition of "Newsweek" did a story on the disco influence in fashion.

The Italians, ever eager for a new clothes cause and fearful that the Americans had discovered something they didn't know about, began to debate the pros and cons of disco. Italy's national newspaper, "Corriere Della Sera," ran daily editorials on the subject. It began to take on political overtones. The question became: Should young leftists dance or not?

The movement came to be known as Travoltismo.

Milanese designer Mariuccia Mandelli of Krizia calls it the most controversial national issue since machismo. She also calls it pazso (crazy). And she uses Travoltismo to explain the essential difference between American and Italian fashion.

"One cannot discuss the effects of the disco movement on fashion in Italy in the same context as it exists in America," says Mandelli. "In your country and in other parts of Europe — especially France — disco implies happy-go-lucky, joie de vivre. In Italy, disco implies politics. In Italy, politics affect everything."

But there has been no attendant disco craze in Milan, she explains. "There was talk of a Studio 54, but nothing has ever materialized. Italy is not about to become one enormous disco."

Along with the politics of disco, the politics of China are now a prime topic of conversation in Italy, according to the designer. But neither theme will be used in her fall collection scheduled to open next month in Milan. She explains:

"Im not asking for praise, but I've always done the body clothes associated with disco, so this is not a new idea for me. And I've already done the Mao influence in fashion, so the timing is not right to bring back that idea."

What is right, in Mandelli's view, is to give women what she calls a little change within the context of classics.

"I don't wantto put dictates on what a woman can or cannot wear. She should wear what she feels best in. But a little change is necessary — especially if that little change is a little touch of humor. It is for this reason that I always show short shorts with amusing accessories such as gold stockings and shoes."

What is not amusing to mandelli is the Paris couture's recent redos of the past.

As Mandelli sees it, one of the major differences between America and Europe revolves around what she calls the personal versus the collective view of life

"The collectivists are angry right now, because many Europeans are returning to the concept of a personal universe. And nowhere is this personal universe more obvious than in Beverly Hills. It's much more liberated than New York. It has a style of its own." —(LAT)

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Fed okays foreign buying of three American banks

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP) — The takeover of three of the United States' largest banks by foreign corporations has been approved by the Federal Reserve Board.

The action clears the way for the London-based Standard Chartered Bank Ltd. to acquire Union Bank of Los angeles, the 25th largest American bank.

It would also allow the sale of controlling interests in two New York banks, the National Bank of North America and Marine Midland to foreign companies.

The board said the California transaction could go ahead immediately but that the New York sales required approval from the New York state superintendent of banks.

Midland Marine, now the United States' 12th largest bank with some $ 7 billion in deposits, would become the nation's largest foreign-owned bank if acquired by the Hong Kong and Sbanghai Banking Corp. of Hong Kong.

A controlling interest in the National Bank of North America, the country's 37th largest and a subsidiary of City Financial Corp. of New York, is being acquired by a wholly owned subsidiary of National Westminster Bank Ltd. of London.

The approval for the takeovers was given at a closed session of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors earlier Friday, but was not announced until early evening. Officials had no explanation for the delay.

Edward Duffy, chairman of Marine Midland, said he was delighted that the Federal Reserve bad approved the application of the Hong Kong company to acquire 51 per cent of the bank's voting shares.

Efforts by foreign companies to acquire American banks have caused considerable concern among bankers and officials.

Congress has asked its investigative arm, the General Accounting Office, to study what they believe could be a trend toward foreign purchases because the dollar has declined against foreign currencies and the prices of bank stock are depressed.

Venezuela oil official wants more capacity

CARACAS, March 17 (AP) — Venezuela's new energy and mines minister says the capacity of the state-owned petroleum industry to produce crude oil must be increased, but that this does not mean Venezuela must increase production.

Venezuela produces about 2.3 million barrels of crude a day.

Huberto Calderon Berti, who took office last Monday with the new Social Christian government, says this rate is about 97 per cent of capacity.

"This is not desirable. What is desirable is for us to have a cushion between production volume and real capacity of at least 500,000 barrels a day, so that the country can have a greater flexibility in its operations," he said.

Calderon, a 37-year-old geologist and petroleum engineer, says Venezuela "must make a great effort" to drill new wells and recondition old ones.

There was no indication in Calderon's statements that Venezuela's capacity could be increased in the short term nor that the country, which earns 95 per cent of its foreign income from oil, would be able to step up production quickly.

APPETIZING : A model displays new key ring labels which look like chocolate, crackers, eggs and cheese but labels are not so appetizing as they look. They are made of colorful plastic and shown for the first time at Frankfurt's spring fair which opened recently. (AP photo)

Inflation blunts market optimism

NEW YORK, March 17 (AP) — Although the stock market has borne up well in recent weeks, Wall Streeters remain uniformly gloomy about what most of them consider the United States economy'sNo. 1 problem — inflation.

The U.S. government is due to report this coming Friday on the consumer price index for February, and analysts see little chance that the figures will show any marked improvement.

As the Merrill Lynch market letter summed up the situation: "Prices advanced 0.9 per cent in January, 10.8 per cent at an annual rate, in a series of broad-based gains led by food. The near-term outlook for smaller increases is not good."

The Washington Analysis Corp., a subsidiary of the brokerage firm of Bache Halsey Stuart Shields, recently estimated that the consumer price index will show a rise of 1.0 or 1.1 per cent for February, with food and energy prices contributing heavily.

"The CPI for March and April should sbow only slightly smaller 0.9 per cent increases," the firm added.

For the first half of the year, Wasbington analysis is projecting a rise at a 10.5-11 per cent annual rate, followed by a slight easing to a 7.5-8.5 per cent rate in the second balf.

That would add up to a net increase for all of 1979 of 9.592 per cent, the firm figures.

Similar forecasts abound in the financial community, and stock market investors seem lately to have been taking them more in a mood of resignation than dismay.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials rose 9.96 to a six-week high of 852.82 in the past week, after taking a 27.11-point jump the week before.

The New York Stock Exchange composite index gained .74 to 56.55, and the American Stock Exchange Market value index jumped 6.11 to 172.77.

Big board volume averaged 28.54 million shares a day, against 28.90 million the week before.

As the steady stream of adverse inflation news continues, the debate over its causes and the best possible ways to fight it shows no sign of dying down.

Reports surfaced late in the past week that new anti-inflation measures were being considered by President Carter. His current program of wage-price guidelines has predictably met with a lot of criticism from many conservatively inclined Wall Streeters.

"High prices for petroleum products and for beef are not causes of inflations, regardless of what the administration people say," argued Heinz Biel at Janney Montgomery Scott Inc.

Wayne Nordberg, chairman of the investment policy committee at Prescott, Ball and Turben, reached a similarly dismal conclusion: "What we have today in the United States is an economy operating at close to full capacity... with, in essence, a chronic $ 40 billion full employment budget deficit.

Gold goes up, dollar holds firm

LONDON, March 17 (AP) — The price of gold surged $ 4 an ounce higher on European bullion markets Friday, while the dollar gained against all major currencies.

Bullion dealers said the gold price was affected by buying orders in expectation of a rise in prices next week. They said gold also was affected by rising prices for other metals.

In Zurich gold closed at $ 244.125 an ounce, up $ 4 on Thursday's closing 240.125.

The dollar looked firm in the European exchange markets as the week ended, despite a slight dip in Tokyo. European dealers said trading was helped by a rise in West German producer prices and the announcement of a 1.3 per cent rise in U.S. industrial production last month.

Positive trading continues

NEW YORK, March 17 — The market opened in positive territory and maintained its positive advance through out Friday. Housing starts fell in February to an adjusted annual rate of 4,411,000 units off 15 vs January's revised figures. At the close the Dow Jones industrial average rose 5.80, transports were up 0.93, utilities 0.37, volume of trading was 31.4 million shares, Breadth on the positive side as gainers outnumbered losers by a 2 to 1 margin. The American Stock Exchange rose 1.12.

Growth and glamor issues advanced with Johnson and Johnson up 1 ½ to 70 ⅜, Baxter Labratories rose 1 to 38, Digital Equipment up 1 ¼ to 52 ¼, IBM gained 2 to 308 ¾, Eastman Kodak up ⅞ to 62 ¼, CBS down ½ to 45 ¾.

Energy issues rose sbarply with Atlantic Richfield up 1 ¼ to 62, Cities Service gained 1 ⅜ to 60 ¾, Mesa up 1 ⅛ to 41 ¼, Standard of Ohio rose 2 to 50 ¼, Halliburton gained 2 ⅞ to 67 ¾, Hughes Tool added 3 ⅛ to 47 ⅜ and Schlumberger up 3 ⅝ to 104 ¼.

Basic industry issues gained ground with Inland Steel up ½ to 38 ¼, DuPont up 1 ¼ to 137, International Paper rose ¾ to 45 ⅜, Southwest Forest added ⅝ to 17 ⅛, Weyerbaeuser up ⅝ to 29 ½, and U.S. Gypsum lost ½ to 28 ¾.

Among auto and machinery issues American Motors up ⅛ to 7 ⅞, Caterpillar gained ⅜ to 60 and International Harvester up ⅝ to 40 ¼. Among aerospace, airlines and rails, General Dynamics up ⅝ to 34, Northwest added ⅜ to 27 ¾, and Burlington Northern rose ¾ to 40 ½.

Electrical equipment and metals were mixed and precisions metals were little changed.

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Appeals to no avail as gas use in U.S. up so far this year

WASHINGTON March 17 (AP) — U.S. gasoline consumption has increased so far this year, despite the loss of Iranian oil and the administration's appeals to save fuel, according to statistics issued by the American Petroleum Institute, an industry organization.

They showed that gasoline consumption was up 5.4 per cent during the first 10 weeks of this year, compared with the same period of 1978.

In February alone gasoline use was 4.8 per cent higher than in February 1978.

Iran's revolution in December stopped production of five million barrel of oil sold daily.

Because of long travel times from the Gulf, the last tankers loaded in Iran did not arrive in the United States until last month, so no immediate pinch was felt. But companies placed restrictions on the amounts of gasoline they would deliver to dealers this month and pumps at some stations may start to run dry.

Iran is now slowly restoring partial oil production and the administration has been urging fuel conservation to prevent a depletion of oil stocks now that could lead to more serious shortages.

The statistics, issued Friday response to appeals for economy.

The institute said total U.S. oil consumption for February was 21.864 million barrels a day, an increase of 767,000 barrels a day from February 1978.

Also Friday, a White House official said President Carter plans an energy policy conference Monday at Camp David.

The official, who asked not to be named, said Carter and his advisers would focus on policy options designed to offset the loss of oil imports from Iran, which formerly supplied five per cent of Americanoil requirements.

He did not rule out the possibility that Carter might consider decontrol of crude oil prices after mandatory controls expire May 1.

Scheduled to attend the session at Camp David, the Maryland retreat where Carter is spending a long weekend, are:

Vice President Walter Mondale, Energy Secretary James Schlesinger, Treasury Secretary Michael Blumenthal, Labour Secretary Ray Marshall, Commerce Secretary Juanita Kreps, Director James McIntyre of the Office of Management and Budget, anti-inflation chief Alfred Kahn, Chief Economic Adviser Charles Schultze, Domestic Policy Assistant Stuart Eizenstat, and Julian Katz, assistant secretary of state for economic and business affairs.

U.S industrial production up only marginally

WASHINGTON March 17 (AP) — U.S. industrial production increased by a sluggish 0.3 per cent in February, following no increase in January, the government says.

Growth of the economy clearly has begun to slow this year after a rapid expansion in the final three months of 1978.

Industrial production had increased by 0.8 per cent in December and 0.6 per cent in November as the overall economy grew by an average 6.4 per cent.

In its production report Friday, the Federal Reserve Board said there were sharp declines in automotive products and coal production, and a lesser drop in output of refined petroleum.

Auto assemblies were at an annual rate of 8.8 million units, down slightly from 8.9 million in January.

The board said adverse weather was to blame for the sluggish production in some sectors.

Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

Authority	Description	NO. of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
Armed Forces Medical Services	Laboratory equipment	7	200	April 25
" " "	Non-medical tools and equipment	8	100	May 1
" " "	Medical drugs and chemicals	9	1000	May 8
" " "	Office equipment	10	100	April 28
Directorate General of Meteorology	Constructing of a Pollution plant in Jubail	3	1000	April 28
Directorate of Civil Aviation	Drilling of artesian wells at Qassim airport		500	April 7
Directorate of Education, Taif	Repairs to Mansouriah School in Turabah	2/99	150	April 3
Directorate General of Telegraph and Telex, Jeddah	Fencing of the transmission station, Jeddah	1	100	April 24

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Qatari Riyal (100)	—	87.75	87.75
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.77	8.77
Iranian Riyal (100)		41.00	—
Iraqi Dinar		9.50	—
Yemeni Riyal (100)	—	74.00	74.00
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	79.50	88.25
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	41.25
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	33.00	34.30
Gold kg	—	26,500	
10 Tolas bar	—	3,100	
Silver kg bar	—	1,000	
Japanese yen (100)	1.63		
Canadian dollar	2.86	- -	
Belgian franc (10)	1.14	—	
Dutch gilder	1.68	1.69	

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SHIP MOVEMENTS UP TO THE MORNING OF 17TH MARCH 1979.

1-VESSELS DISCHARGING

BERTH	VESSEL	AGENT	CARGO	ARR.DATE
1A	—	—	—	—
1	—	—	—	—
2	—	—	—	—
3	—	—	—	—
4	—	—	—	—
5	Hellenic Sky	Alpha	Gen/Oil/Reefer/Meal/Contrs	15.3.79
6	—	—	—	—
7	—	—	—	—
8	Wild Clover	Orri	Wheat/Barley/K.D.Houses	14.3.79
9	—	—	—	—
10	Eurabia Moon	Shobokshi	Iron Rods/Tiles	15.3.79
11	—	—	—	—
12	—	—	—	—
13	Agios Nicolaos	Barber	Steel	16.3.79
14	Frigo Queen	Star	Eggs/Cheese	15.3.79
15	—	—	—	—
16	—	—	—	—
17	—	—	—	—
18	Achilleus	Rolaco	Bulk Cement	14.3.79
19	—	—	—	—
20	Maersk Commander	Baroom	Bagged Cement	13.3.79
21	Eleni 2	A. A.	Bagged Cement	10.3.79
22	Elli 2	A. A.	Bagged Cement	8.3.79
23	Filipinas Saudi I	S.A.M.A.	Accommodation Ship	—
35	—	—	—	—
36	—	—	—	—
38	—	—	—	—
39	—	—	—	—
40	Atalaya	M.T.A.	Tim/Cem/Paper/P'wood	16.3.79
41	—	—	—	—
42	—	—	—	—
43	—	—	—	—
44	—	—	—	—
RO RO:				
1	Tor Caledonia	Fayez	Cntrs/Trls/Mobiles	16.3.79
2	Merzario Arabia	A.E.T.	Cntrs/Rolling Stock	16.3.79
3	—	—	—	—

2-RECENT ARRIVALS:

Unkai Maru	Kanoo	Construction Material	16.3.79
Agios Nicolaos	Barber	Steel	16.3.79
Sonia Sophia 'S'	Algosaibi	Steel/Wire/General	16.3.79
Archangelos	Baaboud	Durra	16.3.79
Tor Caledonia	Fayez	Contrs/Trls/Mobiles	16.3.79

3-VESSELS EXPECTED WITH IN 24 HOURS:

Chieftain	Barber	Steel/General	17.3.79
Frigo King	O.C.E.	Frozen Chickens	17.3.79
Arctic Mariner	O.C.E.	Frozen Poultry	17.3.79
Hellenic Leader	Alpha	Tea/General	17.3.79
Green Forest	Kanoo	Government Cargo	17.3.79
Pritzwalk	Shobokshi	Contrs/Profile Iron	17.3.79
Capal	Red Sea	Wire Net Fancing/Nails	17.3.79
Long Beach	Rezayat	Containers	17.3.79
Freudenfels	Alireza	Containers	17.3.79
Rheinfels	Alireza	To Load Mtys	17.3.79
Farha	H.S.S.C.	Contrs/Trls	17.3.79
Argo Glory	El Hawi	Lime in Bags	17.3.79
Amalthea	Star	Fruit	17.3.79

4-Tonnages Discharged:(Freight Tons): 79,164

5-WAITING TIME: NIL

Note: Importers having goods on the above mentioned ships should complete their formalities as soon as possible. For any enquiries please contact the Shipping Agents.

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WORLD STOCK MARKETS بـورصـات العـالـم

Stock	March 13	March 12
Abbott Labs	30⅞	31
AM International	20½	19⅝
Adobe Oil & Gas	22⅜	22
Aetna Life & Cas	43⅝	43⅝
Air Products	26½	26½
Alcan Aluminium	38⅜	38⅜
Alcoa	54	54⅜
Alleg. Ludlum	16¼	16½
Allegheny Power	16⅜	16⅜
Allied Chemical	32⅝	32½
Allied Stores	23	22⅞
Allis Chalmers	30⅝	30⅞
AMAX	50⅝	49⅝
Amerada Hess	28⅝	28⅜
Amer. Airlines	11⅞	11⅜
Amer. Brands	51	50½
Amer. Broadcast	34½	34⅝
Amer. Can.	36⅛	35⅞
Amer. Cyanamid	25⅝	25⅝
Amer. Dist. Tel.	25	23⅝
Amer. Elec. Pow.	21⅝	21⅝
American Express	29¼	29¾
Amer. Home Prod.	27	27⅝
Amer. Medical	26	26½
Amer. Motors	7⅝	7⅝
Amer. Nat. Gas	37⅝	38
Amer. Standard	41½	40½
Amer. Stores	47⅞	47⅞
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	61⅝	61⅝
Ametek	32¼	31⅝
AMF	16⅝	16½
AMP	30⅝	30⅜
Ampex	16⅝	15⅝
Anchor Hocking	27⅝	27⅝
Anheuser Busch	25⅝	24⅝
Armco Steel	19⅝	19⅝
A.S.A.	24⅞	25
Asamera Oil	15⅝	15⅝
Asarco	18½	19
Ashland Oil	38⅝	38½
Atl. Richfield	60⅝	59¾
Auto Data Pro.	29⅝	29
AVC	10⅛	10⅛
Avco	21⅞	21⅝
Avon Products	47½	47⅞
Balt. Gas Elect.	24⅞	24⅞
Bangor Punta	20⅛	20⅝
Bank America	24⅝	24⅝
Bankers Tr. N.Y.	35	34⅞
Barber Oil	26⅝	26½
Baxter Travenol	37⅜	36½
Beatrice Food	21⅞	21⅝
Becton Dickenson	31⅝	31⅜
Bell & Howell	17	16⅝
Bendix	39⅛	38⅝
Benguet Cons 'B'	3½	3½
Bethlehem Steel	23⅝	23⅜
Black & Decker	19⅝	19⅝
Boeing	66⅝	67⅝
Boise Cascade	32⅛	31⅞
Borden	26⅝	26⅝
Borg Warner	28½	28
Braniff Int.	11	11⅝
Brascan 'A'	18⅝	18⅝
Bristol Myers	34⅝	34⅝
Brit. Pet. ADR	22¼	22⅝
Brockway Glass	17	16⅞
Brunswick	34	14
Bucyrus Erie	17¼	17¼
Bulova Watch	9⅝	9⅝
Burlington Nthn.	39	39⅞
Burroughs	67½	67½
Campbell Soup	34⅝	33⅝
Canadian Pacific	22⅝	22⅝
...nal Randolph	10½	10⅝
...rnation	27⅝	27½
Carrier & General	11⅝	11
Carter Hawley	16⅝	16⅝
Caterpillar Tractr	59⅝	59⅝
CBS	49⅝	49⅝
Celanese Corpn.	42⅝	42⅝
Central & S.W.	15⅝	15⅝
Certainteed	16⅝	17⅝
Cessna Aircraft	18	17⅝
Champion Inter	23⅛	23⅝
Chase Manhattan	31½	30⅝
Chemical Bk. N.Y.	39⅝	38½
Chesebrough Pond	23⅝	23⅝
Chessie System	27⅝	27⅝
Chicago Bridge	49⅝	50
Chrysler	10⅛	10⅛
Cinc. Milacron	33⅝	33⅝
Citicorp	23⅝	23⅝
Cities Service	56½	54⅝
City Investing	15⅝	15⅝
Cleveland Cliffs	29⅝	29⅝
Coca Cola	41⅝	42⅝
Colgate Palm.	17¼	17⅝
Collins Aikman	9¼	9
Columbia Gas	27	27⅝
Columbia Pictures	20⅝	20⅝
Com. Ins. Co. of Am.	17⅝	17⅝
Combustion Eng.	35⅝	36
Combustion Eq.	9⅝	9⅝
Com'w'th Edison	26	26
Comm. Satellite	42½	42
Computer Science	10⅝	10⅝
Conn. Life Ins.	35⅝	35⅞
Conrac	14⅝	14½
Con. Edison N.Y.	24⅝	24⅝
Consol. Foods	22⅝	23
Consol. Nat. Gas	38⅝	38⅝
Consumer Power	22⅝	22⅝
Continental Grp.	27⅝	28
Continental Oil	31⅞	31⅝
Continental Tele.	16	16½
Control Data	32⅝	32⅝
Cooper Indus.	47½	47⅝
Corning Glass	54⅝	54⅝
CPC International	51⅝	51⅝
Crane	29½	30⅝
Crocker Nat.	27⅝	27½
Crown Zellerbach	33⅝	36
Cummins Engine	35⅝	34½
Curtiss Wright	14⅝	14
...na	27⅝	27⅝
...rt Industries	39⅝	39
...ere	35⅝	36
Del Monte	—	—
...ona	11⅝	11⅝
...ntsply Inter.	16⅝	16⅝
...troit Edison	15½	15⅝
Diamond Shamrk.	21⅝	21
Digital Equip.	52	51¼
Disney (Walt)	38⅝	38⅝
...ver Corpn.	47⅝	47
Dow Chemical	27⅝	27⅝
Dravo	26½	26⅝
Dresser	39½	39⅝
Dupont	136⅝	136⅝
Eagle Picher	20	20⅝
East Airlines	8	8
Eastman Kodak	61⅝	61⅞
Eaton	37½	37
E. G. & G.	27⅝	27¼
El Paso Nat. Gas	17⅝	17⅝
...ra	28⅝	27⅝
Emerson Electric	33⅝	33½
Emery Air Freight	17⅝	17⅝
...hart	34	34½
...M.L.	2½	2⅝
...gelhard	38	35
...mark	26⅝	26
...hyl	25	24
...xon	53	32½
Fairchild Camera	36⅝	37½
Fed. Dept. Stores	30⅝	30⅝
Firestone Tire	13⅝	13⅝
First Chicago	18⅝	18⅝
First Nat. Boston	27⅝	27⅝
...ed Van	17⅝	17⅝
...intkote	31	30⅝
Florida Power	31	31⅝
Fluor	37⅝	37½
F.M.C.	24⅝	23⅝
Ford Motor	43⅝	43⅝
Foremost Mck.	18⅝	18⅝
Foxboro	31⅝	30⅞
Franklin Mint	7	7⅝
Freeport Mineral	38⅝	39⅝
Fruehauf	28⅝	28⅝
Fuqua Industries	10⅝	10
GAF	12	13⅝
...nett	42	41⅝
...ico	27⅝	27⅝
Gen. Amer. Inv.	10⅝	10⅝
G.A.T.X.	25	24⅝
Gen. Cable	17	17
Gen. Dynamics	33	33⅝
Gen. Electric	47⅝	47⅝
General Foods	32⅝	32⅝
General Mills	26	26
General Motors	56½	56½
Gen. Pub. Util.	17⅝	17⅝
Gen. Signal	26⅝	26½
Gen. Tel. Elect.	28⅝	28
Gen. Tyre	26⅝	26⅝
Genesco	6⅝	4½
Georgia Pacific	27⅝	27⅝
...esource	32⅝	30⅝
Getty Oil	40⅝	40⅝
Gillette	25⅝	25⅝
Goodrich B. F.	18⅝	18⅝
Goodyear Tire	17	16⅝
Gould	27⅝	27
Grace W. R.	28⅝	27⅝
Gt. Atlan. Pac. Tea	6⅝	6⅝
Gt. North. Iron	25⅝	25⅝
Greyhound	11⅝	11⅝
Gulf & Western	14⅝	15
Gulf Oil	25⅝	25
Halliburton	63⅝	63
Hanna Mining	35⅝	34½
Harnischfeger	13	12⅝
Harris Corpn.	26⅝	26
Heinz H. J.	40	39⅝
Hercules	28	28⅝
Hewlett Packard	90⅝	91
Holiday Inns	17⅝	17⅝
Homestake	33⅝	33⅝
Honeywell	65⅝	65⅝
Hoover	11⅝	11⅝
Hosp. Corp. Amer.	26⅝	26⅝
Houston Nat. Gas	27½	27
Hunt (Ph. A) Chm.	15⅝	15⅝
Hutton (E. F.)	16⅝	16⅝
I.C. Industries	25⅝	24⅝
INA	41⅝	40⅝
Ingersoll Rand	48⅝	49
Inland Steel	37½	36⅝
Inalco	12	12⅛
IBM	308.50	310
Intl. Flavours	22⅝	22⅝
Intl. Harvester	39⅝	39⅝
Intl. Min. & Chem.	45½	45⅝
Intl. Multifoods	18½	18⅝
Inco	19⅝	19⅝
Intl. Paper	44⅝	44⅝
Int. Rectifier	11⅝	10⅝
Int. Tel. & Tel.	28½	28⅝
Iowa Beef	45⅝	46⅝
IU International	10⅝	10⅝
Jim Walter	27⅝	26⅝
Johns Manville	23⅝	23⅝
Johnson Johnson	71⅝	71½
Johnson Control	28⅝	27⅝
Joy Manufacturing	30⅝	30⅝
K. Mart Corp.	23⅝	23⅝
Kaiser Aluminium	21	20⅝
Kaiser Industries	2⅝	2⅝
Kaiser Steel	26⅝	25⅝
Kaneb Services	14⅝	14
Kay	16⅝	16
Kennecott	22⅝	22⅝
Kerr McGee	55⅝	54⅝
Kidde Walter	28⅝	28
Kimberley Clark	45⅝	45⅝
Koppers	18⅝	18⅝
Kraft	46⅝	46⅝
Kroger Co.	41⅝	41½
Leaseway Trans.	19½	19½
Levi Strauss	45⅝	45⅝
Libby Ow. Food	24⅝	24½
Ligget Group	39	38⅝
Lilly (Ely)	53⅝	53⅝
Litton Industries	21⅝	21
Lockheed Aircraft	19⅝	19½
Lone Star Indus.	23⅝	23½
Long Island Ltd.	17⅝	17⅝
Louisiana Land	25½	25⅝
Lubrizol	42⅝	43⅝
Lucky Stores	15⅝	15⅝
MacMillan	11⅝	11⅝
Macy R. H.	35⅝	36
Mfrs. Hanover	32⅝	32
Mapco	29⅝	29⅝
Marathon Oil	63⅝	62⅝
Marine Midland	14⅝	15
Marshall Field	16⅝	16⅝
May Dept. Stores	23	22⅝
MCA	41⅝	41⅝
McDermott	19⅝	19⅝
McDonnell Doug.	31	31⅝
McGraw Hill	25⅝	24⅝
Memorex	34⅝	33⅝
Merck	66½	66½
Merrill Lynch	17⅝	17⅝
Mesa Petroleum	39	38
MGM	23	23⅝
Minn Mining & Mfg.	59⅝	59
Mobil Corp.	74⅝	74⅝
Monsanto	47⅝	47⅝
Morgan J. P.	47¼	46⅝
Motorola	37⅝	37⅝
Murphy Oil	44	43⅝
Nabisco	24⅝	25
Nalco Chemical	32	31⅝
National Can.	18⅝	18⅝
Nat. Distillers	20⅝	20
Nat. Service Ind.	16⅝	16
National Steel	32⅝	32
Natomas	45⅝	46⅝
NCR	66⅝	66
New England El.	21⅝	21⅝
New England Tel.	34⅝	34½
Niagara Mohawk	14⅝	14
Niagara Share	10⅝	10⅝
NL Industries	21	21
Norfolk & Western	23⅝	23½
North Nat. Gas	39⅝	39⅝
Nthn. States Power	24⅝	24⅝
Nthwest Airlines	29½	27⅝
Nthwest Bancorp	23⅝	23⅝
Norton Simon	16	16⅝
Occidental Petrol	19⅝	19⅝
Ogilvy Mather	23⅝	23½
Ohio Edison	16	16⅝
Olin	18½	18⅝
Overseas Ships	21½	21⅝
Owens Corning	29½	28⅝
Owens Illinois	20⅝	19⅝
Pacific Gas	24	24⅝
Pacific Lighting	21⅝	21⅝
Pac. Pwr. & Lt.	20⅝	20⅝
Pan Am World Air	6	5⅝
Parker Hannifin	25⅝	26⅝
Peabody Int.	19⅝	26
Penn. Pwr. & Lt.	20⅝	20⅝
Penny J. C.	29⅝	29⅝
Pennwalt	31⅝	31⅝
Pennzoil	34⅝	34⅝
Peoples Drug	10½	10⅝
Peoples Gas	32⅝	33⅝
Pepsico	24⅝	24⅝
Perkin Elmer	30½	30
Pfizer	31⅝	32
Phelps Dodge	28	28⅝
Philadelphia Ele.	16⅝	16½
Philip Morris	65⅝	64⅝
Phillips Petroleum	33⅝	33⅝
Pilsbury	35	34⅝
Pitney Bowes	25⅝	24⅝
Pittston	19⅝	19⅝
Plessey Ltd ADR	22⅝	22⅝
Polaroid	41⅝	42
Potomac Elec.	13⅝	13⅝
PPG Industries	26½	26⅝
Procter Gamble	80⅝	80⅝
Pub. Serve Elect.	21⅝	21⅝
Pullman	32⅝	32⅝
Purex	15⅝	15⅝
Quaker Oats	22½	23⅝
Rapid American	16⅝	15⅝
Raytheon	48½	48
RCA	28	27⅝
Republic Steel	25⅝	25⅝
Resorts Intl. 'A'	51½	53
Revlon	50	50
Reynolds Metals	36	35⅝
Reynolds R. J.	57⅝	57⅝
Richardson Merrell	22⅝	22½
Rockwell Inter.	36⅝	36⅝
Rohm & Haas	36⅝	37
Royal Dutch	66⅝	66⅝
RTE	11⅝	11⅝
Russ Togs	10⅝	10⅝
Ryder System	22⅝	21⅝
Safeway Stores	43	43
St. Joe Minerals	26⅝	27⅝
St. Regis Paper	31	31⅝
Santa Fe Inds.	35½	35
Saul Invest.	7⅝	7⅝
Saxon Inds.	4⅝	5⅝
Schlitz Brewing	10⅝	10⅝
Schlumberger	99⅝	100⅝
SCM	18⅝	18⅝
Scott Paper	18⅝	17⅝
Scovil Mfg.	19⅝	19½
Scudder Duovest	8⅝	8
Sea Containers	20⅝	19
Seagram	29⅝	30
Searle (G. D.)	14⅝	14
Sears Roebuck	20⅝	20⅝
SEDCO	27	27
Shell Oil	36	36⅝
Shell Transport	57⅝	58⅝
Signal	23⅝	23⅝
Signode Corp.	30⅝	31
Simplicity Pat.	12⅝	12⅝
Singer	13⅝	13⅝
Smith Inter	46⅝	46⅝
Smith Kline	91⅝	91½
Solitron	3⅝	3⅝
Southdown	39⅝	38⅝
Southern Cal. Ed.	26⅝	26⅝
Southern Co.	13⅝	13⅝
Southern Nat. Res.	35½	35⅝
Southern Pacific	28⅝	28⅝
Southern Railway	51	51
Southland	25⅝	25⅝
S'w't Bancshares	24½	24⅝
Sperry Hutch.	15⅝	15⅝
Sperry Rand	47⅝	47½
Squib	33½	33⅝
Standard Brands	23½	23⅝
Std. Oil California	47⅝	47⅝
Std. Oil Indiana	57⅝	57½
Std. Oil Ohio	45⅝	46⅝
Stauff Chemical	39⅝	39⅝
Sterling Drug	16	16
Storage Technology	34⅝	33⅝
Studebaker Wor.	30½	30⅝
Sun Co.	44⅝	44⅝
Sundstrand	23⅝	23⅝
Syntex	34	34⅝
Technicolor	12⅝	13
Tektronix	53⅝	53⅝
Teledyne	118⅝	118
Telex	5½	5⅝
Tenneco	30⅝	30⅝
Tesoro Petroleum	9⅝	9⅝
Texaco	25	24⅝
Texasgulf	23⅝	23⅝
Texas Eastern	41	40½
Texas Instrm.	81	80⅝
Texas Oil & Gas	36½	35⅝
Texas Utilities	19⅝	19⅝
Times Inc.	40⅝	39⅝
Times Mirror	30⅝	30⅝
Timken	63⅝	63
Trane	18⅝	18⅝
Transamerica	17⅝	17⅝
Transco	24⅝	24⅝
Trans Union	29	29
Tran-way Int'n.	28½	30⅝
TW Corp	16⅝	16⅝
Travellers	37⅝	37⅝
Tri Continental	17⅝	17⅝
Triton Oil & Gas	4½	4½
T.R.W.	34⅝	34⅝
20th Century Fox	38	36⅝
U.A.L.	27⅝	26⅝
UARCO	51⅝	51⅝
UGI	18⅝	17⅝
UNC Resources	21⅝	21⅝
Unilever	49⅝	44⅝
Unilever NV	62	61½
Union Bancorp	27⅝	27⅝
Union Carbide	38⅝	39⅝
Union Commerce	9⅝	9⅝
Union Oil California	62⅝	62⅝
Union Pacific	58½	58⅝
Uniroyal	6⅝	6½
United Brands	9⅝	9⅝
US Bancorp	29⅝	29⅝
US Gypsum	28⅝	27⅝
US Shoe	21⅝	22⅝
US Steel	24⅝	24⅝
Utd Technologies	37½	37⅝
UV Industries	32½	32⅝
Virginia Elect.	13⅝	13⅝
Walgreen	25⅝	25⅝
Wallace Murray	22⅝	22½
Warner-Comm.	45⅝	44⅝
Warner Lambert	24⅝	24⅝
Waste-Man'ment	28⅝	28
Wells-Fargo	28⅝	27⅝
Western Bancorp	24⅝	25
Western N. Amer.	24⅝	24⅝
Western Union	19⅝	19⅝
Westinghouse Elect.	19⅝	19⅝
Weyerhaeuser	29⅝	29⅝
Whirlpool	18⅝	18⅝
White Con. Ind.	20⅝	20⅝
William Co.	19⅝	19⅝
Wisconsin Elect.	26⅝	26⅝
Woolworth	22	21⅝
Wyly	4⅝	4⅝
Xerox	57⅝	57⅝
Zapata	14⅝	13⅝
Zenith Radio	13⅝	13⅝
US Treas. 4% 1980	95	95
US Treas. 4¼% 75/85	79½	79½
US 90 Day Bills	9.50%	9.47%

LONDON لندن

COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL

Stock	March 14	March 13
Allied Breweries	91⅝	91¼
Babcock & Wilcox	173	171
Beecham Group	687½	682½
BICC	131½	132⅝
Blue Circle	292½	290½
BOC International	72⅝	73⅝
Boots Co. Ltd.	222½	219½
Bowater Corpn.	199½	201½
B.A.T. Industries	352½	357½
Britannia Bldgs.	20	20½
Brown (John) & Co.	492	478
Cadbury Schweppes	56½	58
Commercial Union	166½	166½
Courtaulds	112	112
De La Rue Co.	429½	435½
Distillers Co.	247	248
Dunlop Holdings	68	66
EMI	124½	122½
Fisons	321½	323½
General Accident	238	236
General Electric	380½	378½
Glaxo Holdings	557½	550½
Grand Metropolitan	142¼	141½
Gt. Univ. Stores "A"	380	376
Guardian Royal Ex.	262	260
GKN	266½	264½
Hawker Siddeley	234	232
Hoover "A"	170	170
House of Fraser	161½	160½
ICI	396½	395½
Imperial Group	102½	103½
Legal & General	169½	165½
London Brick Co.	74½	74½
Lucas (Industries)	301½	301½
Metal Box Ltd	326	326
P & O	72½	74½
Philips	770	785
Plessey Co.	109	108
Prudential Assur.	168½	165½
Rank Organization	278	272
Reckitt & Colman	511½	508
Reed International	185½	185½
Rio Tinto Zinc Corp.	302½	306½
Royal Insurance	417½	415½
Spillers	—	44½
Tate & Lyle	—	137
Thorn Electrical Ind.	—	383
Tube Investments	392	398
Turner & Newall	167½	166½
UDS Group	104	103
Unilever	634	632
Vickers	—	184½
Woolworth (F.W.)	—	71½

BANKING

	March 13 Price	March 14 Price
Alexanders Disc. £1	269	269
Allied Irish Bank	220	221
ANZ Banking $A1	343	338
Bank of Ireland £1	435	430
Bank N.S.W. $A1	274	274
Bank of Scotland £1	334	332
Barclays Bank £1	430	420
Carter Ryder £1	327	327
Clive Discount 20p	92	91
Gerrard Discount	222	222
Grindlays Holdings	130	130
Guinness Peat Grp.	108	107
Hambros	214	209
Hill Samuel	95	97
Hong Kong $2.50	285	284
Keyser Ullmann	61	63
Kleinwort B.L.	114	118
Lloyds Bank £1	320	318
Mercury Secs.	150	150
Midland Bank £1	400	390
Nat. & Com. Bnkg.	94	93
Nat. West. £1	345	336
Schroders £1	440	440
Stand'd Chart. £1	494	489
Union Disc. £1	363	363

OIL

	March 13 Price	March 14 Price
British Petroleum	1118	1100
Burmah Oil Co.	104	103
Charterhall Ltd	31½	32
KCA International	30	35½
Ldn. & Scot. Mar. (Stk)	505	505
Ldn. & Sct. Mar. (Ord)	167	165
Oil Exploration	244	242
Premier Con. Oil	22½	22½
Royal Dutch Pet.	£46.70	£46.50
Shell	697½	694½
Shell Transport	701	698
Tricentrol	195	193
Ultramar	289	282

MINING STOCKS

Stock	March 14	March 13
Anglo-Amer. Corp.	363	373
Anglo Amer. Gold	24½	24½
Ayer Hitam Tin	47½	47⅝
Barlow Rand	272	282
Blyvooruitzicht Gold	467½	470
Botswana	31½	31½
Bracken	155	156
Buffels	12 3/16	13 3/16
Charter Consol.	170½	171½
Consol. Gold Fields	210½	210½
De Beers Con. Mines	447	467
Doorns	447½	447½
East Driefontein	$10½	$11¼
Free State Geduld	22 1/16	22
General Mining	472½	472½
Goldfields of S.A.	23⅝	23⅝
Harmony	557½	557½
Harties	19 9/16	19½
Johannesburg Cons.	17 5/16	17 9/16
Kloof Gold Mng.	890	880
Leslie & Godwin	100½	100
Libanon Gold Mng.	790	770
Mineral & Resources	200	200
President Brand	$14⅝	$14 1/16
President Steyn	$10⅝	$10 1/16
Roan Con. Mines 'B'	115	115
Rustenburg Platin.	146	147½
Selection Trust	542	546
St. Helena	13 15/16	14 1/16
Stilfontein	567½	570
Tanganyika Conc.	187½	187½
Union Corporation	364	370
Vaal Reefs Ex. Mng.	SUSP	23 9/16
Welkom	452½	447½
West Driefontein	32	32
Western Deep	$11 9/16	$11 9/16
Western Holdings	26⅝	26⅝
Winkelhaak Mines	11	11
Zandpan	332½	332½
Zambia Copper Inv.	14⅝	14⅝

GERMANY المانيا الغربية

Price DM.	Closing March 14	Closing March 13
AEG	61.80	61.90
Allianz Versich	473.00	477.00
BMW	224.00	223.00
BASF	138.00	137.50
Bayer	139.10	138.80
Bayer. Hypo.	273.00	271.00
Bayer. Vereinsbk.	279.90	279.00
Commerzbank	204.00	204.00
Cont. Gummi	68.30	68.50
Daimler Benz	304.50	304.20
Degussa	246.50	246.60
Demag	161.50	161.00
Deutsche Bank	277.00	276.60
Dresdner Bank	224.30	224.40
Dyckerhoff Zemt.	161.00	169.00
Gutehoffnung	221.00	221.00
Hapag Lloyd	99.50	99.50
Harpener	146.00	146.50
Hoechst	135.50	134.90
Hoesch	48.00	48.30
Horten	149.00	148.20
Kali und Salz	145.40	145.00
Karstadt	335.00	334.00
Kaufhof	247.80	247.50
Kloeckner DM100	89.50	89.00
KHD	193.50xd	192.50xd
Krupp	93.00	93.00
Linde	281.00	282.50
Lowenbrau 100	1,520	1,520
Lufthansa	92.20	92.20
MAN	205.00	206.40
Mannesmann	162.30	162.00
Metallgesellschaft	270.30	270.30
Muenchener Ruck.	543.00	543.00
Neckermann	176.50	174.00
Preussag DM100	158.50	158.20
Rhein West Elect.	167.30	167.00
Schering	245.20	244.50
Siemens	268.20	267.30
Sud Zucker	242.00	242.00
Thyssen A.G.	110.70	110.70
Varta	172.00	173.00
VEBA	142.80	142.80
Vereins & West Bank	296.00	296.00
Volkswagen	233.70	235.20

PARIS باريس

Price Frs.	Closing March 13	Closing Feb. 26
Corbeille		
Air Liquide	377.50	376.50
BSN-Gervais Danone	455.10	475.90
Bull Machines	55.05	55.05
CFP	144.00	138.00
CGE	375.00	373.00
CSF	351.00	350.50
Credit Foncier	420.00	423.00
Hachette	223.00	227.50
Michelin	1005	1020
Paribas	213.00	210.00
Pechiney	78.00	72.10
Peugeot Citroen	365.00	370.10
Philips	UNQ	49.30
Printemps	121.00	121.60
Rhone Poulenc	105.00	102.00
Royal Dutch	UNQ	272.50
Suez	275.00	272.00
Thomson-Brandt	214.90	212.00
Usinor	11.95	11.95
Group A		
Aquitaine	498.00	459.00
Chargeur Reunis	226.00	230.00
Esso	85.20	83.90
Galeries Lafayette	110.10	101.50
Perrier	276.70	270.00
Petrofina	UNQ	561.00
Presstal	32.90	31.00
Unilever	UNQ	262.30
Union Miniere	UNQ	113.30
Group B		
Carrefour	1710	1701
CCF	135.90	133.00
CIC	123.00	118.00
Fin un Europ	63.30	63.20
Lafarge	224.50	228.00
Moet-Hennessy	479.00	485.00
Nord	26.10	25.30
OPFI Paribas	101.00	100.00
Pennaroya	43.30	41.10
Radio Technique	400.00	404.50
Saint Gobain	135.10	138.00
Group C		
Cie Bancaire	423.10	418.50
Gen. Occidentale	250.00	250.00
Imetal	55.00	57.80
Kleber Colombes	58.60	61.00
L'Oreal	676.00	698.00
Roussel-UCLAF	375.00	340.00
Schneider	144.00	145.70
Shell Francaise	UNQ	54.65
Group D		
Beghin-Say	124.00	126.90
CIT-Alcatel	990	986
LMT	1010	998
Locafrance	215.00	213.10
Lyonnaise	404.00	400.00
Norsk-Hydro	UNQ	285.00
Pernod Ricard	288.00	251.00
Redoute a Roubaix	440.00	441.80
Cash Market		
Gale de Banque	UNQ	UNQ
Omnium	UNQ	364.00
Shell Francaise	UNQ	51.20

SWITZERLAND سويسرا

Price Swiss Frs.	Closing March 13	Closing March 14
Aluminium	1410	1425
BBC 'A'	1820	1830
Ciba Geigy (Fr.100)	1205	1225
Ciba Geigy Part.Cert.	955	980
Ciba Geigy Reg.	685	686
Credit Suisse	2329	2350
Electrowatt	2030	2045
Fischer (George)	685	695
Hoffman Part. Cert.	76000	77500
Hoffman (Small)	7625	7750
Interfood B.	4150	4150
Jelmoli (Fr.100)	1470	1470
Nestle (Fr.100)	3535	3570
Nestle Reg.	2395	2400
Oerlikon B. (Fr.250)	2400	2440
Pirelli SIP (Fr.100)	288	288
Sandoz (Fr.250)	3925	4000
Sandoz Parts Certs.	518	521
Schindler Cts.(Fr.100)	325	323
Sulzer Ct(Fr.100)	336	343
Swissair (Fr.350)	833	835
Swiss Bank (Fr.100)	393	393
Swiss (Re. Fr.250)	5250	5275
Union Bank	3280	3310
Zurich Ins.	12600	12650

MILAN ميلانو

Price Lire	Closing March 13	Closing March 14
ANIC	39.50	39.00
Assic. Generali	41890	41410
Bastogi	699.00	687.50
Centrale	4899	4770
Fiat	2834	2810
Finsider	189.75	186.00
IFI Pri.	2329	2294
Gen. Immobiliare	77.00	74.75
Italgas	808.00	806.00
Italsider	436.00	435.00
Italcementi	29700	29900
Marelli Ercole	293.00	281.00
Magneti Marelli	570.00	560.00
Mediobanca	34995	34500
Mirafanza	21600	21600
Mondadori	1800	1790
Montedison	208.25	205.00
Olivetti Ord.	1040	1044
Olivetti Priv.	1140	1139
Pierrel	741.00	735
Pirelli & Co	1910	1903
Pirelli S.P.A.	914	896.00
Rinascente	63.25	63.00
Snia	705	683.00
Snia Viscosa	1050	1049
Stet	1680	1679

OSLO اوسلو

Price Kroner	Closing March 13	Closing March 13
Bergen Bank	109.00	108.00
Borregaard	75.00	77.00
Creditbank	123.00	122.50
Kosmos	355.00	360.00
Kreditkassen	109.00xd	108.00xd
Norsk Hydro Kr.8	265.50	265.00
Storebrand	104.00	109.25

BRUSSELS بروكسل

Price Frs.	Closing March 13	Closing March 14
Forward Market		
ACEC	462	454
Arbed	2360	2360
Asturienne	670	672
Brascan	542	554
Brux-Lambert	1730	1735
Can Pac	652	648
Cockerill	506	512
De Beers	219	216
Electrobel	6910	6880
EBES	3430	2420
GB-Inno-BM	2505	2585
Gevaert	1380	1380
Hoboken	3035	3020
Petrofina	3890	3885
Royal Dutch	1980	1980
Sidro	738	732
Soc. Gen. Belgique	2285	2250
Sofina	3500	3450
Solvay 'A'	2630	2650
Tanganyika Cons.	124	123
Union Miniere	810	806
Veille Montagne	1830	1830
Cash Market		
Assurances Gen.	8280	8280
Ford Motor	6870	6870
Soc. Gen. Banque	3500	3485

AMSTERDAM امستردام

Price Fls.	Closing March 13	Closing March 14
Ahold (Fl.20)	122.00	123.70
Akzo (Fl.20)	28.80	29.10
Algem Bank (Fl.100)	353.00	352.50
AMEV (Fl.10)	91.40	91.80
Amrobank (Fl.20)	75.90	75.70
Bijenkorf	82.00	88.50
Boko West'nt(Fl.20)	123.60	122.50
Bols	67.50	67.10
Buhrm Tetterode	72.20	72.60
Elsevier (Fl.20)	269.00	269.00
Ennia NV Bearer	139.50	139.00
EuroComTst (Fl.10)	70.50	70.50
Gist Brocades (Fl.10)	35.50	36.50
Heineken (Fl.25)	88.50	90.80
Hoogovens (Fl.20)	31.30	31.20
Hunter D. (Fl.100)	21.00	22.00
K.L.M. (Fl.100)	100.50	103.00
Int. Muller (Fl.20)	42.20	42.70
Nat.Ned Ins. (Fl.10)	110.00	109.80
Nat Cred Bank (Fl.20)	58.00	58.50
Ned Mid Bank (Fl.50)	204.50	204.00
Oce (Fl.20)	170.00	170.00
Ogem (Fl. 10)	26.50	26.30
Van Ommeren	164.50	169.00
Pakhoed (Fl.20)	46.00	48.80
Philips (Fl.10)	22.80	22.70
Rijn Sch Ver (Fl.100)	27.50	34.00
Robeco (Fl.50)	165.50	165.50
Rolinco (Fl.50)	128.00	128.00
Rorento (Fl.50)	122.30	122.30
Royal Dutch (Fl.20)	133.20	133.40
Slavenburg	250.00	251.80
Tokyo Pac. Hlds.	124.00	124.00
Unilever (Fl.20)	123.90	124.40
Viking Res. Int.	44.50	44.50
Volker Stevin	90.80	89.50
Westlang Utr. Bank	413.00	420.00

STOCKHOLM استوكهولم

Price Kronor	Closing March 13	Closing March 13
Aga AB (Kr. 40)	199	200
Alfa Laval (Kr.50)	131	130
ASEA (Kr. 50)	73.50	73.50
Atlas Copco Kr.25	104	102
Billerud	58.00	58.00
Bofors	130	127
Cardo	183	183
Cellulosa	245	250
Elect'lux 'B' (Kr. 50)	108	105
Ericsson 'B' (Kr. 50)	135	134
Esselte (Free)	309	306
Fagersta	125	125
Granges (Free)	59.00	58.00
Handelsbanken	364	366
Marabou	157	157
Mo Och Domsjo	87	87
Sandvik 'B' Krs.	250	247
SKF 'B' Krs.	66.00	66.00
Scand Enskilda	145	147
Tandstik 'B' (Kr .50)	74.00	72.00
Uddeholm	64.00	63.00
Volvo (Kr. 50)	85.50	85.50

COPENHAGEN كوبنهاغن

Price Kroner	Closing March 13	Closing March 13
Andelsbanken	144⅝	145
Danske Bank	128⅝	128⅝
East Asiatic Co.	129⅝	130⅝
Finansbanken	158⅝	158⅝
Bryggerier	269	271½
For. Papir	103	105
Handelsbank	128⅝	117xd
G.N'th'n H.(Kr90)	308	380
Nord Kabel	192	192
Novo Industri B.	207	205
Oliefabrik	131	132⅝
Privatbank	141½	141⅝
Provinsbank	144	132½xd
Soph. Berendsen	375⅝	380
Superfos	187⅝	188⅝

SPAIN اسبانيا

Price Ptas.	Closing March 9	Closing March 8
Asland	137	139
Banco Bilbao	304	310
Banco Atlantico (1,000)	227	227
Banco Central	346	352
Banco Exterior	290	290
Banco General	245	245
Banco Granada (1,000)	134	134
Banco Hispano	270	274
Banco Ind. Cat. (1,000)	172	174
B. Ind. Mediterraneo	183	183
Banco Popular	275	265
Banco Santander (250)	347	348
Banco Urquijo (1,000)	208	208
Banco Vizcaya	273	273
Banco Zaragozano	253	257
Bankunion	150	152
Banco Andalucia	143	143
Babcock & Wilcox	25	25
CIC	182	182
Dragados	216	220
E. I. Aragonesas	39.25	38.00
Espanola Zinc	99	99
Expl. Rio Tinto	56.00	59.00
Fecsa (1,000)	64.00	64.75
Fenosa (1,000)	60.00	60.00
Gal. Preciados	75	72
Grupo Velazquez (400)	165	165
Hidrola	76.50	77.50
Iberduero	72.00	73.25
Inmobanif	79	78
Olarra	76	83
Papeleras Reunidas	40.00	44.00
Petroliber	100	100
Petroleos	174.00	177.25
Sarrio Papelera	39	39
Sniace	40.00	51.00
Sogefisa	130	130
Telefonica	80.00	80.00
Torras Hostench	74.00	79.00
Tabacex	64.00	67.00
Union Elec.	72.50	74.75

VIENNA فيينا

Price Sch.	Closing March 13	Closing March 14
Creditanstalt	342	342
Perlmooser	263	264
Selecta	568	570
Semperit	66	66
SteyrDaimler	213	214
Veit Magnesit	244	244

TOKYO طوكيو

Prices Yen	Closing March 14	Closing March 13
Akai Trading	380	386
Asahi Elec.-Chem.	167	167
Asahi Glass	343	343
Bank of Tokyo	285	205
Banyu Pharm.	890	895
Bridgestone Tire	505	508
Canon	555	559
Chiyoda	720	720
Chubu Power	1020	1020
Citizen Watch	465	463
Daiichi Kangyo Bank	305	305
Dai Nippon Printing	539	540
Dai Nippon Tokyo	195	193
Ebara Manufac.	445	450
Fuji Bank	335	335
Fuji Photo Film	643	645
Fuji Spinning	141	141
Fujitsu	438	440
Hitachi	251	252
Honda Motor	483	479
IHI	111	111
Itoh	251	251
J.A.L.	2940	2950
Kajima	339	348
Kansai Power	1100	1150
Kao	625	629
Kawasaki Steel	120	122
Kirin Brewery	453	456
Komatsu	357	357
Kubota	284	285
Matsushita Inds.	658	664
Matsushita Works	556	562
Mitsubishi Bank	335	335
Mitsubishi Chemical	144	146
Mitsubishi Electric	182	182
Mitsubishi Estate	—	384
Mitsubishi Heavy	133	134
Mitsubishi Corp.	424	428
Mitsui Co.	316	316
Mitsui Estate	635	627
Mitsui Smelting	106	108
Mitsukoshi	494	496
Mitsumi Electric	542	547
Niceme	245	249
Nippon Electric	288	286
Nippon Fire Insur.	259	260
Nippon Light Metal	140	139
Nippon Mus.	908	895
Nippon Oil	829	833
Nippon Securities	365	360
Nippon Sheet Glass	256	257
Nippon Steel	132	132
Nippon Taki	380	375
Nippon Yusen	239	239
Nissan Motor	660	670
Nomura Securities	450	450
Olympus	766	775
Ricoh	572	572
Sharp	489	491
Shiseido	1130	1130
Sony	1760	1760
Sumitomo Bank	335	335
Sumitomo Cement	202	206
Sumitomo Chem.	—	127
Sumitomo Marine	245	248
Sumitomo Metal	122	122
Taisei	235	236
Taisho	243	242
Takeda	516	525
Teijin	137	137
Toho Rayon	256	259
Tokyo Gas	128	128
Tokyo Marine	509	515
Tokyo Power	1030	1040
Toppan	478	480
Toray Indus.	180	181
Toshiba	145	147
Toyo Kogyo	458	452
Toyota	854	849
Yasuda	243	245
Yamaichi	270	278

SINGAPORE سنغافورة

Price Singapore $	Closing March 13	Closing March 12
Industrials:		
Boustead Holdings	284	285
Boustead Co.	UNQ	UNQ
Cold Storage Hldgs	212/219	220
Cycle & Carriage	308	314
Esso Ord.	402	406
Fraser & Neave	525	530
Guinness	505	505
Harper Gilfillan	304	306
Haw Par Bros.	158	159
Inchcape	159	100
Malayan Breweries	600	UNQ
Malayan Tobacco	414/416	416/420
National Iron	630	635
N.B. Timbers	193	195
Paper Products	146	150
Rothmans	340	336
Sime Darby Hldgs	308	304
Straits Steamship	250	250
Straits Times Press	620	620
Straits Trading Co.	560	560
Times Publishing	298	300
Tractors Malaysia	530	535
United Engineers	131/133	133
William Jacks Co.	126	127
Finances:		
DBS	462	468
Hong Leong	310	UNQ
Malayan Banking	615/625xd	620xd
OCBC	805	810
UOB	330	332
Hotels:		
Faber Merlin	93	93½
Goodwood Park	450	454
Properties:		
Central Properties	156	153/160
City Developments	109	111
Utd Overseas Land	145	150
Island Pen. Dev	314	314
Singapore Land	162	164
Palm Oils:		
United Plantations	241	240/243
Minings:		
Berjuntai Tin	765	770
Kampong Lanjut	220	210/225
Pahang Cons.	139	139
Selangor Dredging	400/420	UNQ
Rubbers:		
Batu Lintang Rubber	225	223
Dunlop Estates	406	412
Kempas (Malaya)	402xd	UNQ
K.L.Kepong	263xd	261xd
Kulim Malaysia	158	158
Highlands & Lowlands	378	374
Consol. Plantations	195xd	195xd

NOTES:

1. All prices are in pence unless otherwise stated.
2. DM50 denom. unless otherwise stated.
3. Frs.500 denom. unless otherwise stated.
4. Kr.100 denom. unless otherwise stated.
5. Ptas.500 denom. unless otherwise stated.
6. Yen 50 denom. unless otherwise stated.

xa = Ex all. xc = Ex scrip issue. xd = Ex dividend.
xr = Ex rights. UNQ = Unquoted.
SUSP = Suspended.

EXCHANGE RATES AND LONDON GOLD اسعار العملات والذهب

LONDON

March 14	Range
USA	2.0390-2.0400
Canada	2.3935-2.3945
France	8.7225-8.7325
Belgium	60.00-60.10
Italy	1722.50-1723.50
Holland	4.0900-4.1000
Switzerland	3.4250-3.4350
W. Germany	3.7875-3.7975
Sweden	8.8900-8.9000
Norway	10.3900-10.4000
Denmark	10.5650-10.5750
Austria	27.90-27.95
Portugal	97.35-97.85
Spain	141.25-141.35
Japan	422.88-423.50

NEW YORK

March 14	Opening Prices
STG	2.0390-2.0400
BFR CON	29.45-29.47
CAN	85.17-85.19
FFR	4.2925-4.2940
LIT	845.20-845.50
DFL	2.0075-2.0090
SFR	1.6790-1.6800
DMK	1.8610-1.8620
YEN	208.10-208.20
AUS. SCH	13.63-13.65
DKR	5.1925-5.1940
NKR	5.1000-5.1010
PORT	47.90-48.00
SKR	4.3670-4.3680
BFR FIN	29.82-29.85
SPAIN	69.15-69.17
MEXICO	22.78-22.80

Stg. one month 45-40 disc., two months 63-58 disc., three months 73-68 disc., six months 95-85 disc., twelve months 175-165 disc.
Can. one month 4-2 disc., two months 5-3 disc., three months 5-3 dis., six months 1-4 prem., twelve months 5-12 prem.

N.Y. DOLLAR CROSS RATES

March 14	
Guilder	2.0078
Belgian Franc	29.4400
Deutschemark	1.8595
Hong Kong Dollar	4.8456
French Franc	4.2792
Italian Lira	844.820
Japanese Yen	207.500
Swiss Franc	1.6818

LONDON GOLD

March 14

3.00 p.m. fix	$239.50
Morning fix	$239.90
Yesterday's fix	$239.10

DOW JONES STOCK AVERAGES مؤشر داو جونز

DOW JONES CLOSING STOCK AVERAGES

March 13

30 Industrials	846.93	UP 2.25	or 0.27%
20 Transport	215.28	UP 1.31	or 0.61%
15 Utilities	103.35	DN 0.20	or 0.19%
65 Stocks	285.68	UP 0.77	or 0.27%

DOW JONES 11.00 a.m. STOCK AVERAGES

March 14

30 Industrials	847.45	UP 0.52	or 0.06%
20 Transport	215.04	DN 0.24	or 0.11%
15 Utilities	103.08	DN 0.27	or 0.26%
65 Stocks	285.57	DN 0.11	or 0.04%

New York — (AP-DJ) — The Stock Market closed higher but well below its best level of the day. Analysts said that optimism about mideast peace prospects had helped to boost trading volume from the opening. However, they noted that there was little change in the Dow Jones Industrial Average this morning.

Market sentiment was helped mostly Tuesday by further developments in the mideast peace talks. Israel's Prime Minister Begin said a peace treaty would be signed with Egypt this month, possibly within the next week or two if the Israeli Cabinet and Parliament approved the draft of the accord. Begin said he would resign if the Parliament rejects the new U.S. proposals.

Another factor helping the market was the announcement by the National Iranian Oil Co. (NIOC), that Iran's oil output topped 2.5 million barrels daily, up from 1.6 million barrels reached last week, with all but 700,000 barrels of daily production earmarked for foreign consumption.

A total of about 865 stocks closed higher while about 590 finished lower. The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 2.25 to 846.93. The Average had been up over seven points earlier in the day. Volume totaled about 31,283,000 compared with about 25,820,000 shares Monday.

Prices also rose on the American Stock Exchange, with the Market Value Index up 1.76 to 178.15. The average price per share gained five cents. Advancing issues outnumbered declines 358 to 223, with 268 unchanged.

The most active issue was Resorts International Class A, down ½ to 51½ on 192,400 shares. Other active issues included: Canadian Superior Oil, unchanged at 84½ on 132,300 shares; Golden Nugget, down 2½ to 24 on 111,700; and Houston Oil and Mineral, down ⅛ to 10⅛ on 66,600 shares.

New York Bond Market: A Special Report by Phil Hawkins

New York — (AP-DJ) — There is a good deal of early trade talks about a giant 450 million-dollar Bell System offering slated next Tuesday, dealers said.

A scarcity of other large new corporate issues is one reason for looking ahead to the triple-A rated debentures being sold by Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. There hasn't been a sale exceeding 75 million dollars in almost three weeks.

More importantly, perhaps, is that such prime-quality corporate obligations are 'cheaper' in relation to Treasury bonds than at any time in more than a year. Seasoned Bell System debentures re-cently have been yielding about 0.61 percentage point more than Treasury issues, an unusually wide yield spread.

That differential has averaged about 0.44 percentage point in the past 12 months, while ranging between 0.57 and 0.32 percentage point, according to data compiled by Salomon Brothers.

As a result, 'swapping out of Treasury bonds and into the new Southwestern Bell debentures will be recommended by many dealers,' Provident National Bank Investment Research officials said. That strategy might be so widespread as to put 'pressure on the Treasury sector to move toward cheaper prices and more generous yields,' they added.

A yield of about 9.65% is being projected for the Southwestern Bell offering, based on the rate of slightly more than 9% currently provided by the competing Treasury bonds. The American Telephone & Telegraph Co. subsidiary's 40-year debentures will be offered through a group led by Goldman, Sachs & Co.

FINANCIAL TIMES STOCK INDICES مؤشر الفاينانشال تايمز

	March 14	March 13	March 12	March 9	March 8	March 7	A year ago
Government Secs.	72.29	72.64	72.83	73.00	73.10	71.40	75.82
Fixed Interest	72.66	72.68	72.79	73.03	73.09	72.81	78.25
Industrial Ordinary	509.9	506.6	519.3	515.4	500.3	496.9	460.4
Gold Mines	165.5	170.0	170.4	163.9	161.7	160.0	166.3
Gold Mines (Ex-$ pm)	119.4	119.1	119.9	115.4	115.0	114.6	116.1
Ord. Div. Yield	5.48	5.52	5.40	5.44	5.61	5.66	5.89
Earnings Y'ld% (full)*	14.22	14.32	14.01	14.10	14.54	14.69	17.31
P/E Ratio (net)(*@)	9.15	9.09	9.26	9.23	8.95	8.86	8.10
Dealings marked	8,261	8,961	8,950	7,303	7,300	6,729	5,523
Equity turnover £m	-	174.10	176.01	134.18	150.00	156.22	77.01
Equity bargains total	-	33,608	32,207	32,271	23,715	27,872	16,298

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* Based on 52 per cent corporation tax. @ Nil = 8.81.
Basis 100 Govt. Secs. 15/10/26. Fixed Int. 1928. Ind. Ord. 1/7/35.
Gold Mines 12/9/55. Ex-$ pm index started June, 1972. SE Activity July-Dec. 1942.

LONDON COMMODITY PRICES اسعار السلع والمعادن الرئيسية

March 14 Lunchtime Prices

COCOA

£ per tonne	Today's Closing	Previous Closing
March	1665	1661
May	1692	1689
July	1694.5	1693.5
September	1718	1715
December	1778	1775
March	1805	1800
May	1825	1810

ROBUSTA COFFEE

£ per tonne		
March	1458	1455
May	1453	1452
July	1453	1452
September	1454	1453
November	1453	1452
January	1445	1442
March	1436	1435

GRAINS

£ per long ton	Wheat Yesterday's Closing	Barley Yesterday's Closing
March	96.70	93.60
May	98.95	95.25
September	92.55	86.05
November	95.55	89.30
January	99.25	93.00

RUBBER

Pence per Kilo		
April	58.95	58.70
May	59.65	59.40
April-June	59.65	59.55
July-September	62.60	62.55
Oct.-December	64.65	64.55
January-March	66.60	66.55
April-June	68.65	68.60
July-September	70.70	70.65
Oct.-December	72.70	72.65

RAW SUGAR

Sugar Pref. Comm. Conn.

£ per long ton		
May	108.65	108.60
August	112.65	112.60
October	115.65	115.60
December	118.55	118.50
March	122.95	122.75
May	125.25	125.00
August	128.25	127.75

WHITE SUGAR

£ per long ton		
April	103.00	101.00
July	108.00	107.25
September	114.00	113.50
November	118.00	117.75
February	126.00	125.80
April	131.00	130.50
July	136.00	134.00

SOYABEAN MEAL

£ per tonne	Today's Closing	Today's Closing
April	134.28	123.50
June	125.00	124.50
August	127.00	126.00
October	126.50	126.00
December	125.00	124.80
February	126.00	125.50
April	128.00	125.00

March 13 Official Close

ALUMINIUM

£ per tonne	Today's Closing	Previous Closing
Cash	731.00	733.00
Three months	731.00	732.00
Settlement	733.00	—

COPPER

£ per tonne		
Wirebars		
Cash	947.00	948.00
Three months	961.50	965.00
Settlement	948.00	—
Cathodes		
Cash	943.00	944.00
Three months	958.00	960.00
Settlement	944.00	—

LEAD

£ per tonne		
Cash	605.00	606.00
Three months	554.00	555.00
Settlement	606.00	—

SILVER

Per troy ounce		
Cash	347.40	347.60
Three months	355.60	355.80
Settlement	347.60	—

TIN

£ per tonne		
Standard		
Cash	7325	7335
Three months	7215	7220
Settlement	7335	—
High Grade		
Cash	7330	7335
Three months	7228	7240
Settlement	7335	—

ZINC

£ per tonne		
Cash	374.00	375.00
Three months	386.00	387.00
Settlement	375.00	—

EURO-CURRENCY INTEREST RATES اسعار فوائد العملات الاوروبية

March 13	Sterling	U.S. Dollar	Canadian Dollar	Dutch Guilder	Swiss Franc	W. German Mark	French Franc	Italian Lira	Asian Dollar	Japanese Yen
Short term	12⅝-12⅞	10⅛-10⅜	9-10	7⅛-7⅝	1/16-3/16	4-4⅛	9-9½	7-10	—	3½-11
7 days notice	13-13⅛	10¼-10⅜	9-10	6-6⅝	¼-⅜	3 15/16-4 1/16	9-9½	10½-11½	10 5/16-10 7/16	4⅝-5½
Month	12⅝-12⅞	10⅛-10⅜	10⅛-11	6⅛-6⅜	3/16-5/16	4 3/16-4⅜	8½-8½	11-12	10 7/16-10 9/16	4 1/16-5 1/16
Three months	12⅝-12 5/16	10⅞-11	10⅜-11⅛	6⅝-7⅛	⅛-⅜	4 5/16-4 7/16	8⅝-8⅞	11½-12½	10 15/16-11 1/16	4 7/16-4 13/16
Six months	12⅛-13 5/16	10 13/16-11 1/16	10⅜-11⅜	7-7⅛	11/16-13/16	4 9/16-4 11/16	8⅛-9	12½-13½	10 15/16-11 1/16	4 7/16-4 13/16
One year	12-12⅛	10⅝-11	10⅜-11⅛	7⅝-7⅞	1⅛-1⅜	4 13/16-4⅞	9⅛-9½	12½-13½	11 13/16-11 15/16	4 3/16-4 11/16

The following nominal rates were quoted for London dollar certificates of deposit: One month 10.30-10.40 per cent; three months 10.40-10.50 per cent; six months 10.70-10.80 per cent; one year 10.70-10.80 per cent.

Long-term Eurodollar deposits: two years 10½-10⅝ per cent; three years 10⅛-10⅜ per cent; four years 10 3/16-10 5/16 per cent; five years 10 3/16-10 5/16 per cent nominal closing rates. Short-term rates are call for sterling, U.S. dollars and Canadian dollars; two days' notice for guilders and Swiss francs. Asian rates are closing rates in Singapore.

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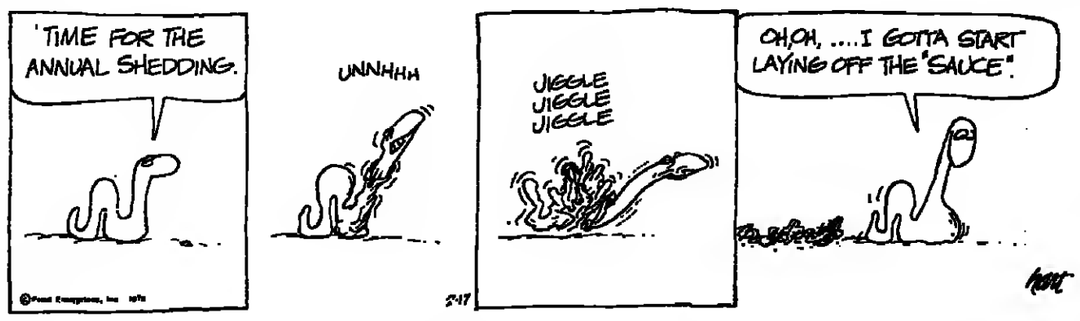

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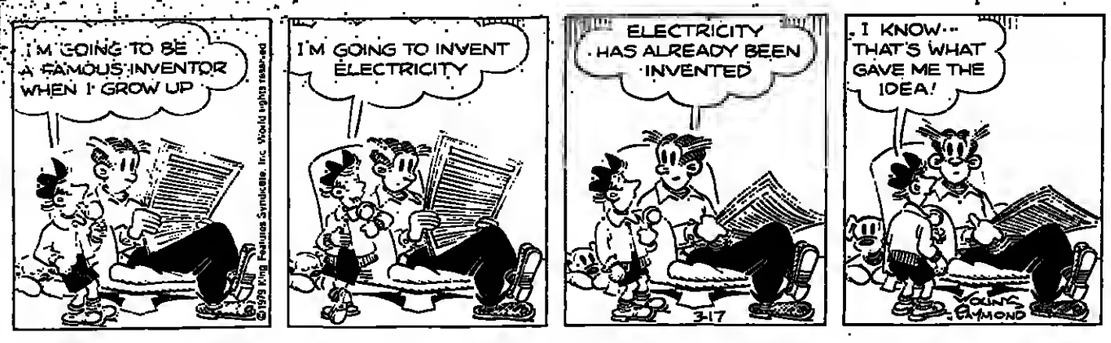

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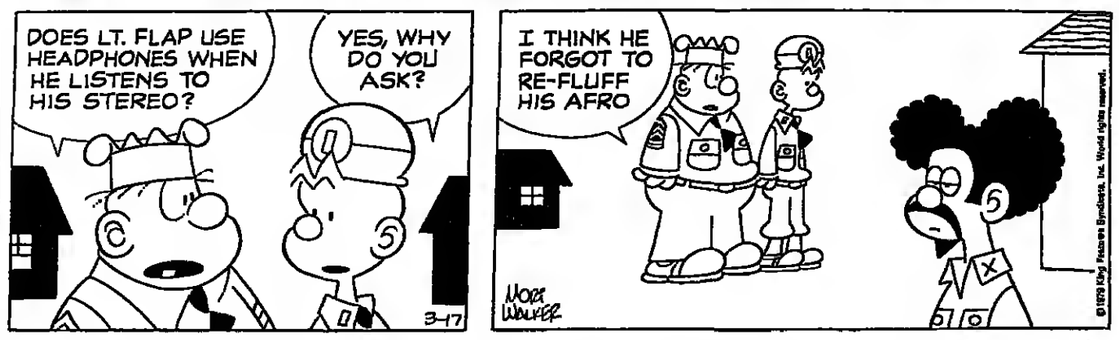

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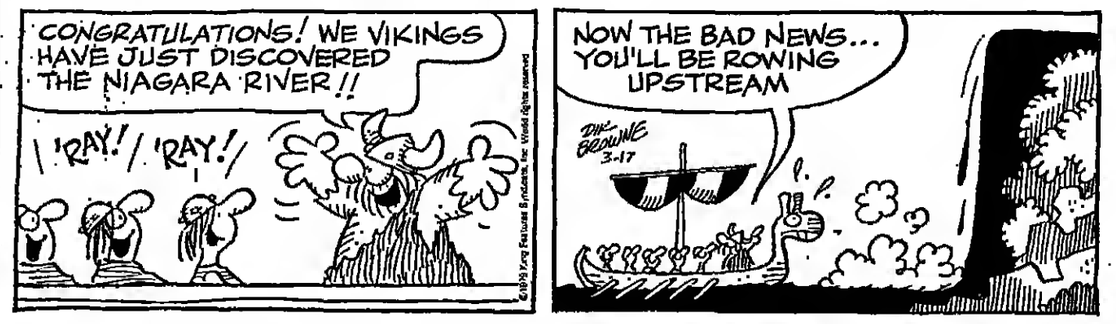

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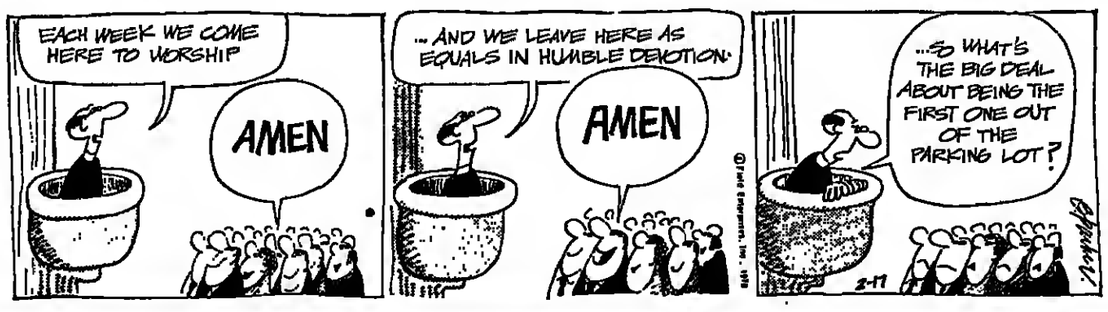
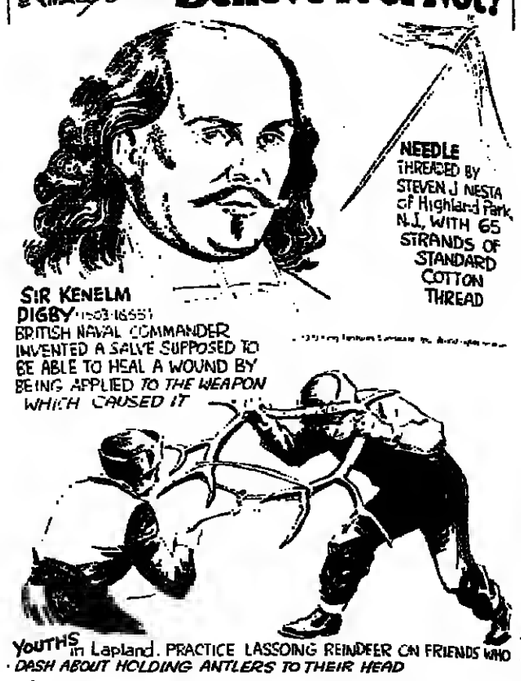


Dennis the Menace

"Wow! He must have pretty good eyes to see out of THESE things!"

Ripley's Believe It or Not!



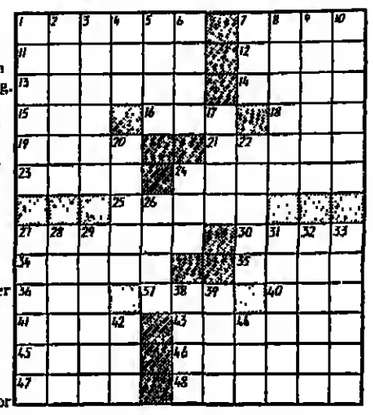
CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword
by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS
1 Ranch
7 City on the Oka
11 Man in stitches
12 Russian river
13 Verdi opera
14 Mimicked
15 "I Pagliacci," to fans
16 Spire ornament
18 Finish
19 European river
21 Unoriginal
23 Tiber tributary
24 Sufferer
25 Santa —, Ca.
27 Beacon, in Boston, e.g.
30 American suffragist
34 Belief statement
35 Joint
36 Outfit
37 Gist
40 Hostel
41 Wading bird
43 Lobscouser
45 Director, Abby —
46 Twine about
47 Trifle
48 Distributor

DOWN
1 Trample
2 Procession
3 Substitute
4 Old note
5 Highest grade
6 Trickle
7 "— Clear Day"
8 Say it over
9 In perfect balance
10 Jacob's —
17 Bavarian river
20 Went apace
22 Hunt down
24 Foot wiper
26 Boxer Spinks
27 Economize
28 Clannish
29 Capital of Saskatchewan
31 Brute
32 Card combo
33 Sawbuck
38 Secondhand
39 Nota —
42 Ship's timber curve
44 Wing

Saturday's Answer



DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE – Here's how to work it:

A X Y D L B A A X B
is L O N G F E L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTES

O I Y A Y K M T B V M Y O B S J K O

C B A X B V A M I K Z O B P B H Y

K T V T Q Y M M X B V I J G Y M Y T O

B T Y B V O. – E Y Q D K J T Z A B G Y A E

Saturday's Cryptoquote: THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE WORLD WILL BE SHAKY UNTIL THE MORAL PROPS ARE RESTORED.—ANNE O'HARE MC CORMICK

Contract Bridge : B. Jay Becker

Imagination

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 6
♡ 10 9 8
♢ A Q 10 8 5
♣ A J 10 6

WEST
♠ 8 7 3
♡ 7 3
♢ 7 6 4 3
♣ Q 9 5 2

EAST
♠ A 5
♡ K Q 6 5 2
♢ K J 9 2
♣ K 7

SOUTH
♠ K Q J 10 9 4 2
♡ A J 4
♢ —
♣ 8 4 3

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♢	1 ♡	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	4 ♠	

Opening lead - seven of hearts.

If you play against opponents who never make a mistake, this article is not for you and you should turn elsewhere for salvation. But if, as is more likely, your opponents are human and occasionally err, these words will not be in vain.

Let's say you're South and West leads the seven of hearts. Right away you get a sinking feeling about what's going to happen. When you take East's queen with the ace and return a trump, you know East will win it, cash the king of hearts, and play a heart for West to ruff. In the fullness of time you will also lose a club trick and go down one.

But your spirit naturally rebels et the specter of defeat hovering above you. Since you just can't sit there whistling Dixie, your imagination starts to churn until, after a while, you concoct a scheme that you hope will turn the tide.

When East puts up the queen of hearts, you don't take it with the ace, but play the jack on it! When East returns a low heart, you win it in dummy with the ten and cash the ace of diamonds, discarding the ace of hearts on it! Now you cannot be defeated and you make four spades in this scintillating fashion.

The fly in the ointment is that East can upset your applecart by playing the king of hearts at trick two, not a low heart. A low heart return by East is an error, all right, but one he will almost surely make.

So if, as we said before, East is a player who never makes a mistake, he will return the king of hearts and your magnificent plan will go down the drain. But it's surely worth a try!

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ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

PRAYER TIMES

Sunday	Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhr	Assr	Maghreb	Isha
Mecca	5:16	6:33	12:36	4:00	6:34	8:04
Medina	5:16	6:30	12:38	4:03	6:35	8:05
Nejd	4:44	6:03	12:06	3:30	6:03	7:33

DHAHRAN TV

4:30 Children's Show
6:30 George Kirby Show
6:54 Welcome Back Kotter
7:25 Rickford Files
8:13 NFL Football
Sesame Street: No. 1082
Nancy Wilson
Kotter For Vice Principal
Rattler's Class Of 63
Highlights: No. 12, Minn. Vs. L.A.

WEATHER

Forecast for the next 24 hours :
Scattered thundershowers likely over the southwestern and parts of the western regions. Surface winds to blow mostly southerly at moderate speed. The temperatures are expected to rise over the western and northwestern regions.
Sea conditions will be moderate in the Red Sea and calm to light in the Gulf.

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Saturday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	33	23	Tabuk	28	11
Jeddah	31	23	Al-Jauf	27	09
Riyadh	26	11	Turaif	27	09
Dhahran	25	14	Bisha	27	09
Medina	27	13	Yanbu	29	19
Taif	22	08	Abha	18	10

SAUDI RADIO

Afternoon Transmission
2:00 Opening
2:01 The Holy Quran
2:05 Gems of Guidance
2:10 S.A. — Historical Notes
2:20 On Islam
2:30 Hits in Germany
3:00 NEWS
3:10 Press Review
3:15 Music
3:20 Islamic Activities
3:30 Leaps and Bounds
3:40 Music
3:50 close Down

Evening Transmission
10:00 Opening
10.01 The Holy Quran
10:05 Message to the Faithful
10:10 Light Music
10:15 NEWS
10:25 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle
10:30 Melody Makers
11:00 Youth Welfare
11:10 Music
11:15 Hot Rock
11:45 The Golden Age
12:00 Imp. Com & Recollections
12:10 Music
12:15 Mood Music
12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
01:00 Close Down

VOA

P.M.
8:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities: Opinion; Analyses
8:30 Dateline News Summary
9:00 Special English: News: Feature. The Making of a Nation News Summary
9:30 Music USA: (Standards)
0:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities
10:05 Opinion: Analyses News Summary
10:30 VOA Magazine: America; Science; Cultural; Letter
11:00 Special English: News
11:30 Music USA: (Jazz)

VOA WORLD REPORT
Midnight
12:00 News newsmakers' voices correspondents reports background features media comment news analyses.

BBC

Morning Transmission
8.00 World News
8.09 *Twenty-Four Hours News Summary
8.30 *Sarah Ward
8.45 World Today
9.00 Newsdesk
9.30 *Opera Star
10.00 World News
10.09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary
10.30 *Sarah Ward
10.45 *Something to Show You
11.00 World News
11.09 Reflections
11.15 Piano Style
11.30 Brain of Britain 1978
12.00 World News
12.09 British Press Review
12.15 World Today
12.30 Financial News
12.40 Look Ahead
12.45 The Tony Myatt Request Show

Evening Transmission
1.15 Ulster in Focus
1.30 Discovery
2.00 World News
2.09 News about Britain
2.15 Alphabet of Musical Curios
2.30 Sports International
2.40 Radio Newsreel
3.15 Promenade Concert
3.45 Sports Round-up
4.00 World News
4.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary
4.30 The Pleasure's Yours
5.15 Report on Religion
6.00 Radio Newsreel
6.15 *Outlook
7.00 World News
7.09 Commentary
7.15 *Sherlock Holmes
7.45 World Today
8.00 World News
8.09 *Books and Writers
8.30 *Take One
8.45 Sports Round-up
9.00 World News
9.09 News about Britain
9.15 Radio Newsreel
9.30 Farming World
10.00 Outlook News Summary
10.39 Stock Market Report
10.43 Look Ahead
10.45 Ulster in Focus
11.00 World News
11.09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary
11.30 The Pleasure's Yours

Midnight Transmission
12.15 Talkabout
12.45 Nature Notebook
1.00 World News
1.09 World Today
1.25 Financial News
1.35 Book Choice
1.40 Reflections
1.45 Sports Round-up
2.00 World News
2.09 Commentary
2.15 The Face of England

Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 1979

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth Sign.

ARIES
(Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)
An unexpected development in business may set the stage for increased profits. You are also inclined to make a major purchase for the home.

TAURUS
(Apr. 20 to May 20)
A partner or close ally may come up with an unusual suggestion. A change of plans could lead to a fun-filled time for both of you.

GEMINI
(May 21 to June 20)
An unexpected get-together with co-workers may lead to important discussions affecting income, job performance, and career.

CANCER
(June 21 to July 22)
An exciting new acquaintance leads the way to joyful times. A refreshing change of pace lifts your spirits. Romance is in the air.

LEO
(July 23 to Aug. 22)
A mate or close ally may be in the mood to rearrange the furniture. House-hunting may result in coming up with a good lead.

VIRGO
(Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
Visiting neighborhood friends may have its unexpected moments. Flow with change and you'll have an especially nice time.

LIBRA
(Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
Financial questions dominate your thinking. Today you'll come up with new methods to improve income and to capitalize on opportunity.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
The urge to do something new takes hold. Loved ones will be impressed by your changing ways and will follow your lead.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
Self-examination leads to new insights. Peace and serenity will be found at home. Quiet times recharge your energy and spirits.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
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Rhodesian air strikes hit Mozambique bases again

SALISBURY, March 17 (Agencies) — Rhodesian warplanes for the fourth time this week Saturday attacked guerrilla bases in neighboring Mozambique, the military command reported.

There was no immediate reports of casualties or damage.

A terse military communique simply said, " all striking aircraft returned safely to their bases. "

The communique said the latest targets of intensified cross-border raids were in the Chimoio area, about 80 kilometers inside Mozambique.

Earlier this week, Rhodesian war planes attacked bases nf Robert Mugabe's Zimbabwe African National Union (ZANU) in the Mozambique centers of Chocue and Barragem and Dondo.

Since mid-February Rhodesia has now struck eight times at what it said were patriotic Front camps in Mozambique, Zambia and Angola. The raids are part of the transitional government strategy pf pre-empting threantened Patriotic Front offensive against elections due next month.

Planes Friday hit a large ammunition supply and storage depot near Dondo.

Also Friday, Angola requested an urgent meeting of the U.N. Security Council in connection with what it called South African aggression against Angola.

The council scheduled informal consultations on the request for Saturday morning.

" Recent and continuing acts of aggression " bt South Africa require that a meeting be held immediately, said Angolan Ambassador Elisio de Figueiredo.

" The intensity and timing of these racist attacks pose a definite threat to peace negociations in Southern Africa, " he continued.

The request came three days before a meeting scheduled here to discuss a peaceful settlement of the conflict in Namibia, or South West Africa.

Foreign ministers on the five western countries working toward a peaceful transition to independence for the territory, under South African control, bave scheduled talks opening Monday with leaders of all parties involved in the conflict. (See story page four.)

Giscard rides storm of emergency debate

PARIS, March 17 (AP) — President Valery Giscard d'Estaing's center-right coalition has weathered two leftist-sponsored censure motions in a special National Assembly session called to examine rising unemployment and France's deepening steel crisis.

The 592 members concluded the three-day session by endorsing the creation of a parliamentary commission to investigate the causes of the nation's 6.1 percent jobless rate. The vote was 283-199.

An unusual coalition of leftists and Paris Mayor Jacques Chirac's Conservative Gaullist Party had proposed the commission as a means to counter the controversial economic policies of Premier Raymond Barre, especially his plan to restructure France's ailing steel industry at the cost of thousands of jobs.

But Chirac and his party stood by Giscard d'Estaing's Republicans, their coalition partner, on the motions to censure the government for its policies.

A Socialist censure motion supported by the Communists gained 200 votes, 46 short of a majority. A Communist-sponsored censure motion received only 86 votes.

The steel reshuffle, designed to strengthen the industry's viability in the increasingly competitive international steel market, had been expected to cause 3,000 layoffs by the end of 1981 and has produced almost daily demonstrations by France's major trade unions.

Barre's government has agreed to halt the layoffs pending the outcome of negotiations between the major companies and the unions.

PRESIDENTS : President Jimmy Carter talks to Israeli President Izaak Navon at Navon's house, during Carter's visit to Israel last week. (AP photo).

In two-day battle

Uganda says 900 enemy killed

NAIROBI, March 17 (R) — Uganda said Saturday it killed some 900 Tanzanian-backed exile invaders and destroyed and captured rebel arms in a two-day battle earlier this week.

Radio Uganda said government troops captured three tanks and killed about 300 men in a clash with anti-Amin forces on Tuesday.

The radio quoted a government spokesman as saying that 300 rebel troops were killed and 500 wounded in further clashes the following day. He said a number of heavy artillery pieces were also captured during the engagement.

The broadcast was the first government mention of the battle, which exile sources said took place on Monday. Radio Uganda did not say where the engagement took place, but exile sources have said it was centered on Mitala Maria, a village midway between Kampala and the rebel stronghold of Masaka.

Exile sources have reported that up to 600 government troops were killed in the engagement and more than 100 of President Idi Amin's Libyan advisers wounded.

Radio Uganda quoted a military spokesman as saying his country had called on the exile force to reveal its losses but so far they bad remained silent.

According to the radio, the spokesman warned the international press not to be carried away by its desire to see Uganda lose the conflict thereby allowing its feelings to color reporting of the situation.

The sopkesman criticized the international press, saying it had given a false picture of the situation in Uganda. Commenting on press reports that rebel forces were advancing on Kampala, he said these were clearly biased.

Good Morning

The lost debate

By Jihad Al-Khazen

President Carter has called time and again on the Arabs and th Israelis to make further compromises, as if both nations were on a equal footing. He has been trying to accomodate the claims of both th Arabs and the Israelis, as if there were no difference between th robber and the victim.

It seems that the Arabs are even more unlucky than Hitler. A boo was published recently entitled " The War Hitler did not Lose, meaning the propaganda war. Hitler won the latter despite the fa that he was advocating an evil cause.

Once, the Arabs were masters of propaganda as they were warfare. Countless epics were written in the pre-Islamic period o Djahiliya period, depicting Arabs as men of chivalry, courage an generosity, though it was not always the case. The Djahiliya was an er of war and bloodshed, for conquest is nothing but the application o the principle that might is right, nothing but arrogance and treacher Yet poets were able to give the period an aura of heroism.

The immutable truth is that only Islam gave the Arabs true huma values. Without it, the bedouin would still be robbing and pillagin and city dwellers would still be worshiping idols.

The Arabs were so successful at propaganda, even before they had religion of which they could be proud, that they were able to portra their defeats as victories. They preceded the British when one po said be fled to resume the fight on another day.

The pinnacle of success is not when a person defends a rightful c winning cause but when be makes an unjust cause triumph. The Arab now don't even have to do that for they have right on their side.

Today, Arab land is stolen and when Arabs raise their voices i protest, the thief only shouts louder and the world believes the aggre sor.

The Arabs have lost their capacity to argue as well as the arguemen itself.

Translated from " Asharq Al-Awsat "

Chicago police discover 32nd body in Gacy case

CHICAGO, March 17 (AP) — Investigators found the remains of another body Friday at the home of John Gacy, bringing to 32 the number of bodies found at his home or in a nearby river.

It is also the number of bodies which Gacy bas reportedly told police he disposed of — but investigators said they will keep bunting for more.

The latest skeleton was found as sheriff's investigators sifted tbrougb tbe dirt beneath floodboards of an addition to Gacy's home in an area near Chicago. It was the 29th body found at his home.

Three bodies have been pu from the nearby Des Plaines R authorities said.

According to published rep investigators have said Gacy of disposing of the bodies o young men after assaulti them.

Gacy, a 36-year-old s employed contractor, bas b charged with murdering s young men. He is being held w out bond in the County Pr Hospital.

Only 13 of the bodies have b identified so far.

CLARINET : Leonard Bernstein joined the Edgemont High School Band of Scarsdale, New York, recently, when they played " Maria " from " West Side Story. " at a party at Piers I-2 after the premiere of the film of " Hair. "

Worked with Diaghilev

Ballet legend, Leonide Massine, dies

BORKEN, West Germany, March 17 (R) — Leonide Massine, one of the great names of 20th century ballet, has died in hospital here aged 82.

The Russian-born Massine, who died on Thursday, was choreographer and principal dancer with Serge Diaghilev's Ballet Russe 60 years ago.

Massine, born in Moscow in 1896, had lived with his wife outside Borken, near the Dutch border, for several years.

He was admitted to a hospital a week ago.

Massine worked with Serge Diaghilev in Paris when the impresario was creating a new form of ballet before and after World War I.

In his long career be worked with many outstanding figures in the world of art, including Pablo Picasso, Salvador Dali, Igor Stravinsky, Richard Strause and Manuel de Falla.

Massine created over 100 ballets in his lifetime.

Married three times, he lived in the United States during World War II and became a U.S. citizen.

Diaghilev took great pains with the 16-year-old Massine when he first spotted bim on a visit to Moscow in 1913. He chose Massine to replace the Nijinsky, who was about to leave him.

In his early years witb Diaghilev, Massine danced with tfie Russian prima ballerinas Tamara Karsavina and Lydia Lopokova.

After Diaghilev's death in 1929, Massine worked with the de Basil and Monte Carlo companies.

Two of his ballets were consistent favorites, " La Boutique Fantasque " and " Le Tricorne ".

" Le Tricorne " was revived in London in 1947, in Cologne in 1962, in Vienna in 1965 with Massine dancing on all three occasions and again in London in 1973.

In 1948, Massine appeared as the shoemaker in the Britisb ballet film, " Redshoes ". He said at the time it brought him more publicity than he had ever had in his life.

Even in his later years, Massine remained an athletic man with a restlessness which over several decades bad taken him to many parts of the world.

He became noted among other things for his symphonic ballets, created for works by Berlioz, Beetboven, Sbostakovicb, Schubert and Haydn

Gulf light crude reported selling for $ 22 a barrel

KUWAIT, March 17 (AP) — Shipments of Gulf light crudes have been auctioned recently at prices ranging from $21 to $22 a barrel, the Kuwait newspaper "Al-Siyassah" reported Saturday.

The paper did not identify the seller or the buyers, but said the "transactions were made in the last few days by certain Gulf producers, after the Iranian National Oil Co. offered crude oil at $ 23 to $ 24 a barrel."

An unidentified Japanese company was reported to have bought one million barrels of Qatari crude at $ 21.5 a barrel, but other deals were concluded at $ 22 a barrel.

Also in Kuwait, a financial expert predicted Saturday that the value of the dollar will continue to rise unless prevented "by abnormal factors."

Khalid Abu Saud, financial adviser to the Ruler of Kuwait, Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmed Al-Sabah, told "Al-Watan" newspaper the value of the dollar remained for many months so "abnormally low" that the only natural consequence was "for it to go up."

"The American economy is not so weak as to produce such a low value of the dollar," he added.

He cited a number of factors as being behind the current rise in value of the dollar, including "confidence brought about by selling $ 7 billion of foreigo currency by the Carter administration over the last three months in support of the dollar."

SHANGHAI : Chinese civilians and soldiers stroll on the Bund, or waterfront, on a recent sunny Sunday. They seemed unperturbed by the war with Vietnam. (AP photo).

Fountain of youth seen in ultraviolet treatment

WASHINGTON, March 17 (R) — The chances of dramatically extending the human life span have been raised with the report of a University of Wyoming scientist that she has learned how to extend cell life by one half.

Dr. Joan Smith-Sonneborn, a professor of zoology and physiology, said Friday she uncovered the life-extending mechanism in work with a common, single-celled organism widely used in biology laboratories.

Writing in " Science " magazine, she reported that by bathing the cells in different doses of ultraviolet light the damage caused by aging could be delayed, or even reversed. The cells so treated showed a greater lifespan and a more youthful response to further radiation treatment.

From page one

Syria

nians attacked the Jewish students near the shrine.

The incident came after a week of disturbances in protest of the proposed peace treaty. There were riots by Palestinians in East Jerusalem, and in six towns in the West Bank. On Thursday, two Palestinian youths were killed by Israeli gunfire in the town of Halhoul, 20 miles south of Jerusalem.

Eyewitnesses said there were no disturbances on the West Bank on Saturday.

In Vienna Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky said Friday there could be no Middle East peace if the Soviet Union was excluded from negotiations.

"Contrary to some of my friends abroad, I think there is no permanent solution for this part of the world if the Soviet Union is not included," Dr. Kreisky told a press conference.

He said the agreement between Egypt and Israel was only the first step on a " long stony road. "

"Nothing has been completed, further negotiations will show whether there will be real peace," Kreisky added.

The Austrian chancellor, stressing that be was giving only his personal opinion, said the Middle East peace drive started in Geneva and could be concluded there.

But he said a new Geneva meeting would only be useful once a solution was in sight.

"We are far from it yet, because the Palestinians have to be called in if negotiations are to be really fruitful," he said.

Kreisky is critical of the Israeli government because of its attitude towards the Palestinians and has said that Middle East peace could be achieved only in cooperation with representatives of the PLO.

Laotians

Saturday that tens of thousands of soldiers and civilians are building a defense line along areas of the border with China and that thousands of youths are signing up to join the army.

The announcement did not mention continued fighting, Chinese atrocities or Chinese troops inside Vietnam, the staples of its official media reports over the past four weeks.

Kuwait

Nations study of the buman rights implications for Palestinians under the proposed Egypt-Israel peace accords.

Syrian delegate Dia-Allah el-Fattal Friday urged the U.N. Human Rights Commission in Geneva to put the issue on the agenda for its next meeting, but did not press for a vote on the suggestion after the United States, Canada and Egypt objected.

Fattal said he had wanted the commission to take into account tfie right of Palestinians to self-determination and their right to return to their homes as stated in several U.N. resolutions.

Sigh

unclear to let the summary courts fade gradually away and give Prime Minister-Mehdi Bazargan's provisional government a stronger hand to restore normalcy.

However, some fear of summary trials remained. Khomeini's edict gave provincial revolutionary courts approval to continue trying " enemies of the revolution. " Bnt their verdicts must be reviewed by the central authority in Tehran before sentences are carried out.

Growing foreign criticism and Bazargan's threat to resign were believed to be key factors in prompting the 78-year-old Khomeini to put an end to the trials and executions.

United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim and leading French political figures had appealed for an end to the bloodshed in Iran.

Bazargan had gone to the holy city of Qom where Khomeini now lives to express his opposition to the Hoveida trial and continuing executions. He had described as " irreligious, inhuman a disgrace for the country an revolution. "

As some semblance of c returned, revolutionary secutor Gen. Mehdi Hadavi bade revolutionary commi from entering private homes out written permission from office.

Sudan

In another development A League Secretary Gen Mahmoud Riad intends to r because of the lack of Arab soli ity on crucial issues, the Abu D daily newspaper " Al-Ittiha reported Saturday.

The paper quoted Riad as sa that he will submit his resigna at the League's council meetin Mogadishu, Somalia, later month.

Riad the league official was igning because of the abseno Arab solidarity and unity on cial issues, " inspite of all efforts exerted in this directio something that made my sta office impossible. ".

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